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SIGNIFICANT MOVES IN MEDITERRANEAN

MINISTRY OF SUPPLY DECISION

London, To-day.

It is learned that the question of the creation of a Ministry of Supply will be discussed at to-day's meeting of the Cabinet.—Trans-Ocean.

Japs Will Reject Roosevelt Offer

Tokyo, To-day.

PRESIDENT Roosevelt intends to send a personal Note to the Japanese Government similar to his communications to Hitler and Mussolini, according to the "Asahi Shimbun."

The newspaper adds that President Roosevelt will probably announce the readiness of the United States to offer her positive good offices for the opening of a conference of powers interested in the Far East for solution of the current situation in East Asia, provided Japan is agreeable.

The note will not be forthcoming until after the departure of the American cruiser "Astoria" from Yokohama, anticipates the paper, which says the Japanese authorities are already discussing a reply.

JAPAN WILL REFUSE

Japan will first endorse the Italian and German replies which, the paper expects, will refuse to comply with President Roosevelt's appeal.

Second, she will maintain the stand that an international Far Eastern conference is not an effective and appropriate measure for dealing with the situation, and Japan will therefore refuse the convocation.—Reuter.

French Guard Gibraltar: British Off Malta

Paris, To-day.

The concentration of French warships at Gibraltar is attracting close attention.

Sixteen French units have arrived there, while the British Mediterranean fleet is concentrated in the neighbourhood of Malta.

The French ships at Gibraltar include the large cruisers, Lorraine, Marseillaise, La Gallissoniere, and Jean de Vienne. The destroyer division includes the Mogador, Volta, Laudaceux, Fantasque, Terrible, Tempete, Fortune, Simon, Foudroyant, Le Boulonnais, and Brestois.

"Epoque" states that the measure is concerned with the German naval manoeuvres while the British Fleet's attention is directed elsewhere.

The Radical journal "L'Ordre" casts doubts on the assurances given by Spain to France concerning her attitude in the event of increased European tensions, and says that France must not entertain any illusions about "assurances." Burgos, it declares, is coming more and more under Axis influence.

"Petit Parisien" says that the Italian press campaign regarding Tangiers, and the arrival of the German Fleet in Spanish waters, might well awaken suspicion that pressure is to be applied in the Straits. Hence the despatch of French warships.

ITALY "NOT ALARMED"

A Rome message quotes Italian quarters as stating that by amassing strong naval forces in the

Mediterranean, Gibraltar, Malta and near the entrance to the Suez Canal, Britain and France are exerting powerful pressure.

This action, it is contended, will quite fail to impress Italy which will not allow itself to be alarmed by demonstrations of this sort.

Similar action, it is recalled, was staged during the Abyssinian War and again in the crisis last September.

NEW TACTICS

Attention is drawn to the fact that during the September Crisis, Britain withdrew the bulk of its warships from Malta as a precaution against a sudden assault by Italian aircraft. Because the British

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"WAR MAY COME SOONER THAN BELIEVED"

London, To-day.

Great satisfaction has been caused here by the declarations of the New Zealand Premier, Mr. Savage, and the South African Defence Minister, Mr. Oswald Pirow, to the effect that their Governments considered that strengthening of defensive measures was an urgent necessity.

Mr. Savage appealed to all able-bodied men in New Zealand to hold themselves in readiness to defend their country if required, and added: "The day on which we have to enter a war may perhaps come sooner than generally believed."

Mr. Pirow issued a similar appeal to the South African Union, stressing that there were circumstances under which South Africa might be drawn into war, and that national solidarity was essential to overcome all difficulties.—Trans-Ocean.

London, To-day.

Following the expulsion of S. D. Harrison, chief Berlin correspondent of the "News-Chronicle," the paper has withdrawn Mr. Colvin, his assistant.—Trans-Ocean.

FOOD POISON CASES IN REFUGEE CAMP

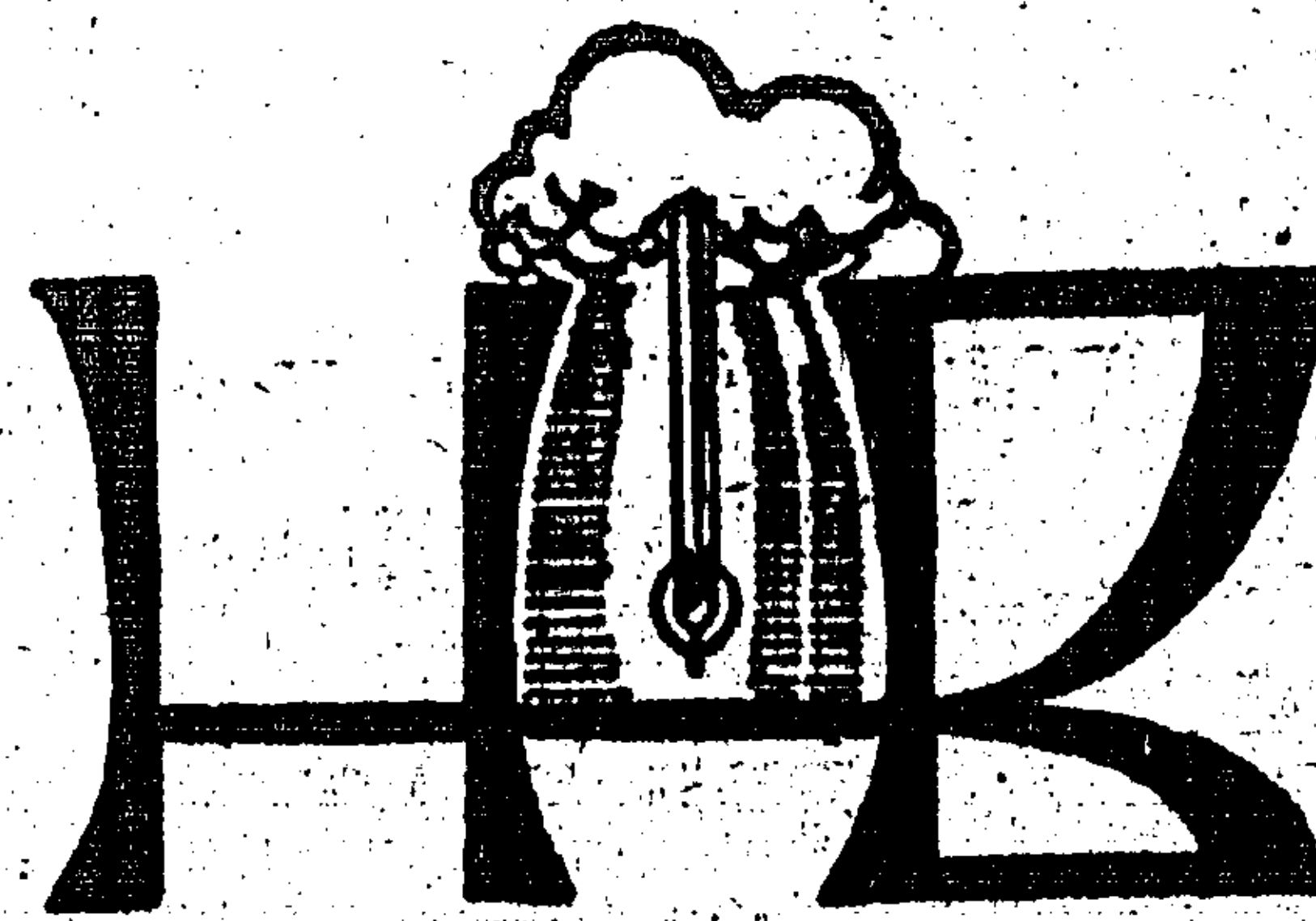
Twenty refugee children were rushed to the Queen Mary Hospital in ambulances this morning from the refugee-shelter at the old Government Civil Hospital in Queen's Road West.

They were suffering from food-poisoning, symptoms of which were experienced soon after breakfast.

The children included 14 boys and six girls.

Two boys have been detained at the hospital for further treatment, but the remainder have been sent back to the shelter after being treated.

HAVE AN H.B.—



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PREMIER HINTS AT MINISTRY OF SUPPLY

NO REPORTS OF NEW AERODROMES

London, To-day.
The Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs told the Commons that the Government had no information about the construction of new aerodromes or fortifications in Spain, either near the Pyrenees frontier or in the neighbourhood of Gibraltar. — British Wireless.

FOREIGN OFFICE VISITORS

London, To-day.
The United States and Portuguese Ambassadors both visited the Foreign Office yesterday. — British Wireless.

London, To-day.
The Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, replied in the House of Commons yesterday to a question on whether he was in a position to announce any new measures designed to increase British ability to discharge her recently extended commitments.

Mr. Chamberlain replied that steps were being taken both to accelerate and widen the basis of production with a view to providing an increased war potential.

They were bearing in mind the increased demand which it was provident to anticipate in view of recent developments.

Replying to a question on a Ministry of Supply, Mr. Chamberlain intimated he would make a statement on the subject in the near future.

Questioned regarding the negotiations with other governments, the Premier said the Government had entered into no specific engagements with Holland, Switzerland and Denmark.

However, he added: "It is unnecessary for me to insist on the interest which His Majesty's Government have in the preservation of their independence."

NOTHING TO ADD

Answering Mr. C. R. Attlee, Leader of the Labour Opposition, Mr. Chamberlain said the Government were continuing the close consultations with other interested governments, including Russia.

However, he could not yet supplement his statement of April 13.

Mr. Chamberlain added: "I should like to take the opportunity of informing the House of the great satisfaction with which the Government has welcomed the recent initiative of President Roosevelt."

Mr. Chamberlain's reference to the United States was received with prolonged cheering. — Reuter.

GENERAL STAFF TALKS

Replying to a question regarding talks between the General Staffs of

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BRITISH BARTER SUGGESTION NOT FAVOURED

London, To-day.
The President of the Board of Trade, in reply to a suggestion for introduction of a barter or compensation system in Anglo-Argentine trade, informed the Commons that he did not consider such a scheme necessary or desirable.

He recalled that under existing trade agreement the Argentine Government make available sterling exchange for the purpose of remittances to the United Kingdom up to the value of Argentine exports to Britain. — British Wireless.

BRITISH GUARANTEE TO POLAND

London, To-day.
Answering questions in the House of Commons as to whether the British guarantee to Poland included Danzig, Mr. R. A. Butler recalled Mr. Chamberlain's statement that it was for Poland to decide if and when she considered her independence threatened.

Mr. Butler added that any modification of the status of the Free City would have to be submitted to the League. — Trans-Ocean.

EXPANSION OF U.K. EXPORTS TO AMERICA

London, To-day.
The President of the Board of Trade told the Commons that while it was still too early to draw definite conclusions regarding the effects of the Anglo-American Trade Agreement, there were already signs of considerable expansion of United Kingdom exports to the United States.

The increase in the first two months of this year as compared with the same period of 1938 exceeded \$1,000,000. — British Wireless.

Serious Fire In Liner

Le Havre, To-day.
A serious fire has broken out on board the 34,000-ton French liner "Paris."

The fire is blazing in the interior of the vessel in spite of the efforts of firemen. — Reuter.

Great Britain and those of the countries guaranteed by her, Mr. Chamberlain (says Trans-Ocean) said that the necessary military and other contacts were being maintained.

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Most of these re-enlisted men, it is understood, will be used for service in French Dominions overseas. Foreigners domiciled in France who are over 17 years of age may enlist for the duration of a war in any arm of the French army.

"SCRAPS OF PAPER"

Bidding farewell to his officers after a review at Thionville, Gen. Giraud, Military Governor of Metz, commanding the 6th Army Area, which includes the Maginot Line, said:

"I have called you together to express to everyone, regardless of rank, my thanks for what you have done in common to make this corner of our frontier one of the strongest of the fortified sectors of the Lorraine frontier. We are ready to meet any eventuality, as we are compelled to do in face of an adversary who makes light of 'scraps of paper.'

"I do not know what will take place to-morrow, but I am certain to leave to my successor a weapon in which the world can have confidence. We have nothing to fear from the German army and, if the worst comes to the worst, it would break its teeth upon our defences."

Gen. Giraud is relinquishing the Metz command on appointment to the Superior War Council.

MAGINOT LINE INSPECTED

Gen. Gamelin, Chief of the Army Staff, and Commander-in-Chief in case of war, reviewed the troops

of the 20th Corps on the historic Place Stanislas, at Nancy, in the presence of a dense crowd of patriotic Lorrainers. Gen. Gamelin was concluding a minute inspection of the defences of France's eastern frontier.

Gen. Gamelin's visit to the Pontarlier area, near the Swiss frontier, and the recently constructed defences in the department of the Jura, is significant in view of the

ROOSEVELT STUDYING WAR PROBLEMS

Washington, To-day.

President Roosevelt has summoned his chief financial and economic advisers for discussion of the whole subject of world trade as it would be affected by the outbreak of hostilities.

Plans for the conduct of American security and commodity markets in the event of a European war, which are among the subjects for discussion, have already been tentatively drawn up during departmental conversations. — Reuter.

possibility, envisaged by the French General Staff, of an attempt to turn the southern flank of the Maginot line by a sudden attack through Switzerland.

HITLER'S "PROBABLE" REPLY

London, To-day.

Speculations regarding the Fuehrer's probable reply to the Roosevelt message continue to fill many columns in the London papers.

The Fuehrer, it is believed, will proclaim that north-eastern and south-eastern Europe is an exclusive German interest sphere in which other Powers, particularly the Western Powers and U.S. have no right to interfere.

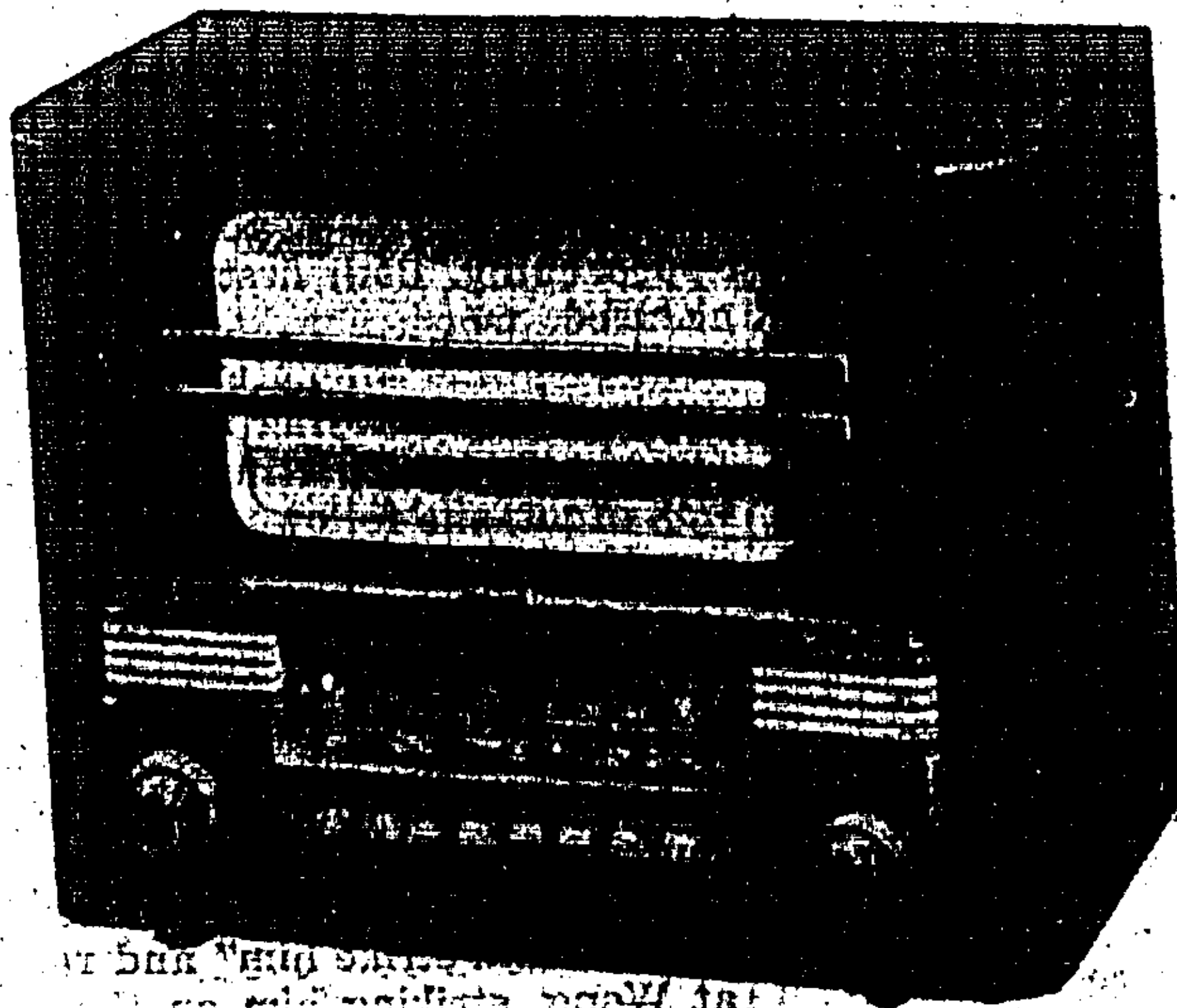
The papers also devote a great deal of space to reports from Germany forecasting settlement of the Danzig question on the basis of Danzig's return to the Reich.

It is said that Poland has agreed to Danzig's reincorporation into the Reich. — Trans-Ocean.

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SQUALLS AND RAIN

The Royal Observatory reports that a moderate anticyclone covers North China, Manchuria and Japan. A shallow depression is moving eastward over the northern Loochoo Islands. Depression over Tongking is deepening.

Local forecast: — E. to S. E. winds, moderate to fresh, squally; overcast, occasional rain.

ROYAL VISITORS TO PARIS

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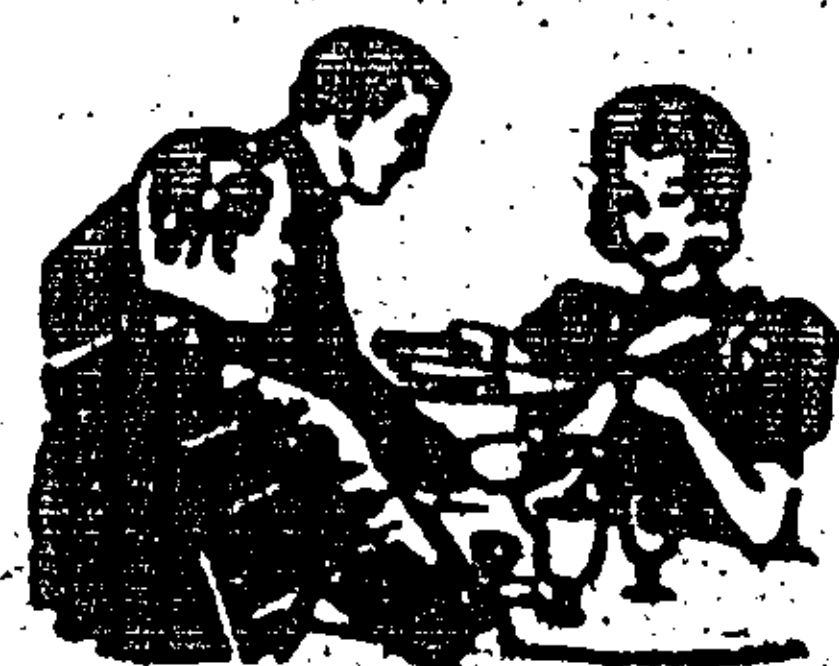
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London, To-day.
The Dowager Marchioness of Aberdeen, widow of the former Governor-General of Canada and a well-known for

her work in connection with nursing, health services and other social questions, died yesterday afternoon aged 82.

The greatest monument of her memory is the International Council of Women, of which she was one of the founders and President for forty years.

Her husband, the first Marquess, died in 1904 and thus ended a married partnership which their book "We Two" made world famous. — British Wireless.

ASTOUNDING STORY OF BRUTAL DAYLIGHT MURDER ATTACK BY GANG

BEFORE THE CHIEF JUSTICE, SIR ATHOLL MACGREGOR, AT THE CRIMINAL SESSIONS THIS MORNING A YOUNG CHINESE GIRL, LEUNG NGAN-NUI, GAVE A DETAILED ACCOUNT IN THE WITNESS-BOX, OF HOW A GANG OF SOME TEN MEN FATALLY ATTACKED ANOTHER WITH CHOPPERS AT YAUMATI ON MARCH 4.

The murder, according to the prosecution, occurred in broad daylight in view of many bystanders, seven of which being eye witnesses, were to be called to testify on behalf of the Crown.

The case concerned Wong King-cheong, who succumbed to injuries sustained when he was attacked near the Nam Sang Teashop; and this morning two alleged members of the gang, Leung Choi and Tsoi On-chai, were arraigned before the Chief Justice.

Mr. J. Whyatt, Crown Counsel, appeared for the Crown. Mr. H. C. Macnamara, instructed by Mr. W. C. Hung, represented first accused, and second was represented by Mr. D. J. N. Anderson, on instructions by Mr. P. M. Hodgson.

"If they find me not guilty I am only too pleased," replied second accused, when asked if he had any objection to the Jury, Messrs. H. C. H. Becher (Foreman), Poon Kwan-wui, Chan Yeung-chai, G. E. Ahwee, Tan Joo-lam, Chung Kum-chuen and Chan Shiu-wa.

RECKLESS DISREGARD

Mr. Whyatt said that certain features in the case were not only unusual but remarkable. The murder was committed in a public thoroughfare by a gang of men who showed a reckless disregard of law and society—a recklessness only matched by the brutal methods employed in the execution of the crime.

Of the gang only two were arrested. The motive for the killing and whereabouts the rest of the gang were unknown. But, evidence will show that the men in the dock took an active and decisive part in murder.

About noon on March 4 a girl named Leung Ngau-nui was hawking vegetables at the Waterloo Road end of Reclamation Street. She saw a group of about ten men approaching. Both first and second accused, whom she knew, were in the group and she noticed that first accused was carrying a large, long fruit-knife. Suspecting something was afoot, she followed them to the junction of Reclamation Street and Dundas Street, where the Nam Sang tea-shop was.

VICTIM'S FLIGHT

At that time, the murdered man was having tea with a friend, Chan Yung-kam. When the gang reached the shop, first accused shouted out, "That's him strike him" and rushed at Wong, striking him on the head with the knife.

Severely injured, Wong managed to get out of the shop, and ran towards Dundas Street closely followed by his attackers. At the end of Dundas Street, he was confronted by another group of men. He had to retrace his steps, running into the arms of his pursuers. Second accused was then seen striking Wong a severe blow on the left arm, cutting right through the nerves and arteries.

Wong managed to break away. Some of the gang gave up the chase and only three or four followed him. Wong ran until he reached a scavenging lane where, totally exhausted, he paused and leaned

against a wall.

SANCTUARY TOO LATE

Finally he took refuge at No. 857, Canton Road. The shop-keeper blew a police whistle and the attackers fled. Wong was taken to the Kowloon Hospital in an almost hopeless condition. He died in the evening.

Extensive Police inquiries were made. On March 6, first accused was arrested when about to board a Macao steamer. Second prisoner was taken into custody under similar circumstances.

Dr. H. T. Bee, Medical officer attached to the Kowloon Hospital, stated that deceased was in a state of collapse when admitted to the Kowloon Hospital.

There was a three-inch lacerated wound at the bend of the left elbow. The muscles, arteries and nerves were severed to the bone which had a ridge on it caused by the blow of the sharp instrument.

LOSS OF BLOOD

There were wounds on the scalp and forehead and pieces of the bone had been chipped off. The wounds were stitched, but he died the same day. Death, said Dr. Bee, was due to shock caused by loss of blood.

Cross-examined by Mr. Macnamara, Dr. Bee replied that deceased had tuberculosis and the heart was slightly fattened, which rendered a person less capable of resistance.

In reply to Mr. Anderson, witness said that the scalp wound not be sufficient to cause death. Witness added that he could think of no other weapon than a knife with which the injuries could have been inflicted.

Re-examined by Crown Counsel, Dr. Bee stated that the injuries received by deceased were sufficient to cause death.

GIRL'S STORY

Leung Ngan-nui then related how she saw both accused in the company of some ten others passing her vegetable stall, and how she witnessed the brutal attack on deceased. She identified both accused.

Cross-examined by Mr. Macnamara, the girl replied that she followed the gang out of sheer curiosity. Seeing that some of them were armed with large knives, she suspected that something was going to happen.

Mr. Macnamara: "I put it to you that it was not first accused whom you saw strike deceased, but another man whom you wrongly recognised?"—It was Leung Chi.

The case is continuing.

WEAPONS FOR THE SEA

Jerusalem, To-day.

Large quantities of Arab war material confiscated by the authorities was thrown into the sea near Jaffa yesterday.

The supplies included 1,700 rifles, shotguns and revolvers, three mines, 167 bombs, 960 detonators and great quantities of explosives.—Trans-Ocean.

FALANGIST PROPAGANDA OF "RE-INCORPORATION" OF GIBRALTAR

Paris, To-day.

Propaganda for the reincorporation of Gibraltar is being carried on throughout Spain by the Falangists, it is reported in the "Paris Soir."

A Special Correspondent of the paper declares that in many shopwindows in Spain maps are being displayed with the caption: "What Must Be Changed In The Mediterranean."

On these maps Gibraltar is shown as a part of Spain.

Tangier, the paper reports, is also being demanded by the Falangists who contend it forms, in reality, part of Spanish Morocco.

The "Paris Soir" further declares that the Falangist ideology has been intensified in the course of the war, but that the strong leaning to the Axis Powers shown by this party is not yet shared by the population. The French paper also refers to troop movements in Spain and declares that none can be satisfied by the explanation that the troops concentrated at La Linea and the whole of Southern Spain are assembled merely for return to their home garrisons and Spanish Morocco.—Trans-Ocean.

BRITISH STATEMENT

London, To-day.

There have been rumours of an intended Spanish occupation of Tangier.

Enquiries on this subject in official quarters in London elect the statement that the British Consul-General in Tangier has been given an assurance by the Spanish authorities at Tetuan that there is no truth in these suggestions, which are described by the Spanish authorities as sensational and absolutely false.

These reports are not the only ones of an alarmist nature in circulation at the present time, and such rumours are indicative of the highly nervous state of mind all over Europe which has resulted from the repeated shocks to confidence of the last twelve months or more, and particularly from the effects of recent events in Central and South Eastern Europe.

SHAKEN CONFIDENCE

They well illustrate the difficulty, which had been emphasised by both the Prime Minister and the Foreign Secretary in recent statements, of rebuilding confidence once it has been shattered.

Independent observers here comment that in such an atmosphere the efforts of statesmen to restore the situation in Europe (and the British Government has sought to make its contribution by close re-definition of its own position and from the same point of view has welcomed President Roosevelt's initiative) need to be seconded by self control and coolness and calmness of judgment on the part of peoples.—British Wireless.

FRANCO GIVES ASSURANCES TO FRANCE

Paris, To-day.

The French Government on Saturday addressed an inquiry to the Spanish Government, through the Spanish Ambassador in Paris, M. Lequerica, requesting the Spanish Government to state what attitude it will adopt in the event of accentuation of European tension, a news agency maintaining close relations with the Quai d'Orsay reveals.

The Spanish Government's reply, which was communicated to the French Government yesterday, is said to have contained "extremely satisfactory assurances not only regarding Franco-Spanish relations but also regarding general European problems."

The French Government thereupon ordered the release of 75 Spanish trawlers which sought refuge in the French port of La Rochelle and were interned there. The question of the return of Spanish war equipment, however, is apparently not yet settled.

The Foreign Minister, M. Bonnet, on Monday received the wife of the French Communist Deputy, M. Tillon, who sought refuge in the French Consulate at Alicante and is now detained by the Spanish authorities. M. Bonnet expressed the hope that M. Tillon would be repatriated by the Spanish authorities in the near future. — Trans-Ocean.

ADMIRALTY GIVES WARNING AT WOOLWICH

LONDON, TO-DAY.

THE ADMIRALTY HAS TAKEN ACTION AT THE SIEMENS ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING FACTORY AT WOOLWICH, WHERE A STRIKE IS HOLDING UP IMPORTANT GOVERNMENT WORK.

The Siemens employees are loading barges with submarine cable for Singapore which is Admiralty property made by Siemens under contract.

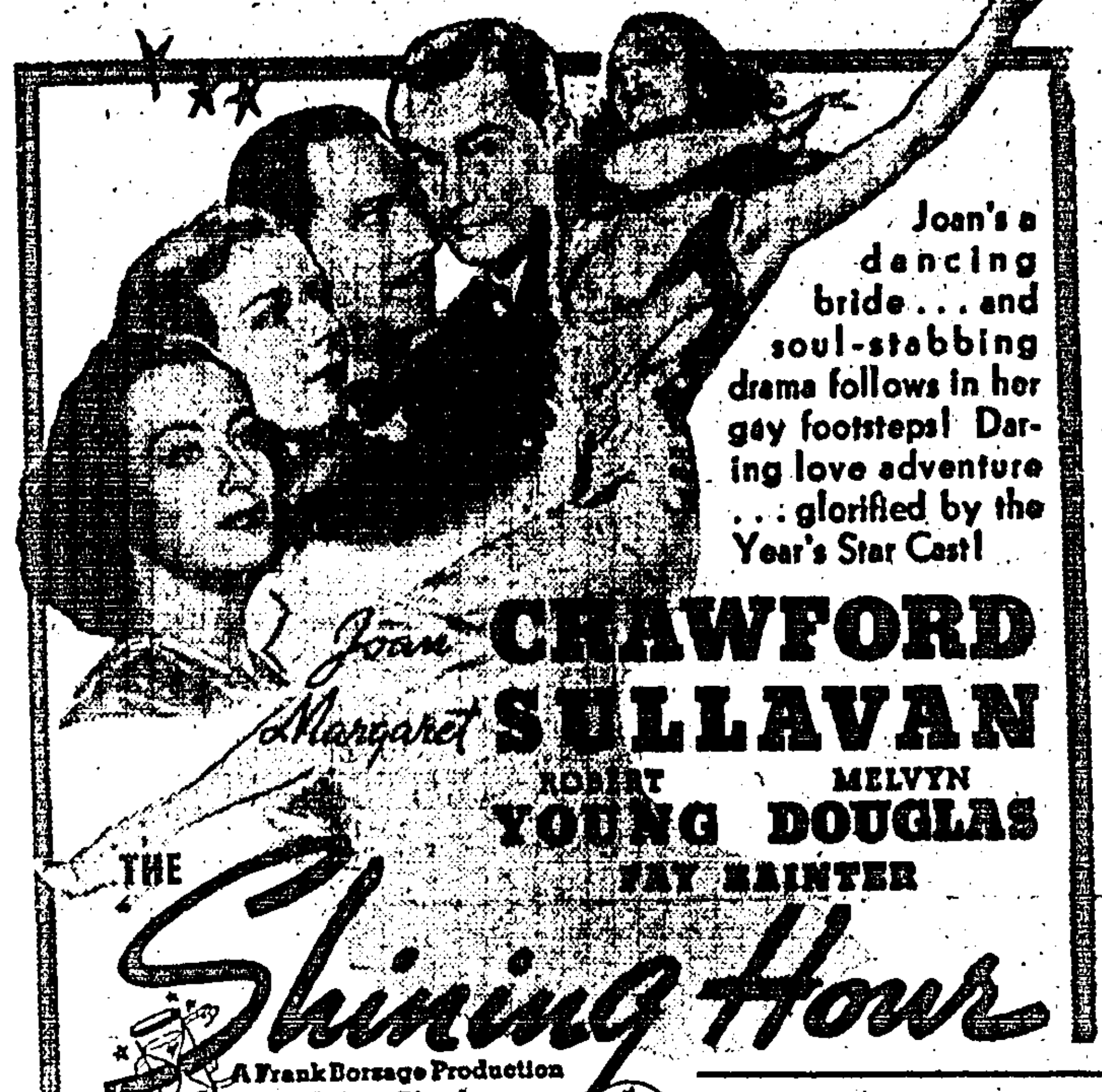
While the Admiralty repudiates any action in the nature of strike-breaking, a representative of the Committee stated last night that if there is any pressure on dockers and lightermen to assist in removal of the products, there will be serious trouble. — Router.

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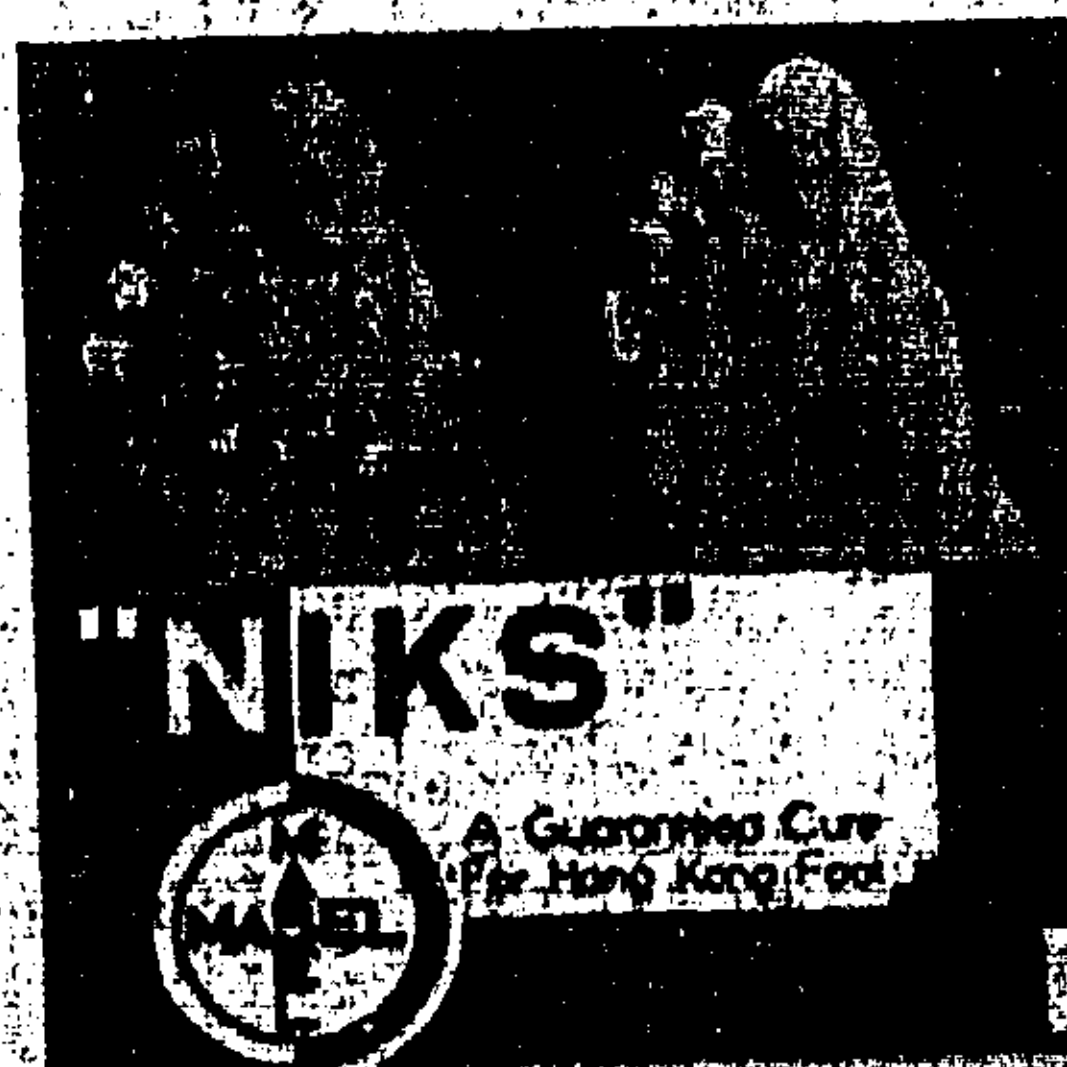
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REGIONAL "DICTATORS" FOR BRITAIN APPOINTED BY SIR JOHN ANDERSON

London, To-day.

SIR John Anderson, Minister for Civilian Defence, announced in the House of Commons yesterday the appointments of Regional Commissioners under the civil defence scheme.

The appointments include:
Sir Ernest Gowers and Admiral Sir Edward Evans ("Evans of the Broke") for the London region.
Lord Harlech, for the North-East,
Mr. Harold Butler (former Director of the International Labour Office at Geneva), for the South,
Sir Warren Fisher for the North-West,
Lord Trent for the North Midlands,
The Earl of Dudley for the Midlands,
Sir Auckland Geddes for the South-East,
Sir Arthur Lambers for the North,
General Sir Hugh Elles for the South-West,
Lord Portal for Wales,
Sir William Spens, for the East.
Mr. Thomas Johnston, M.P., and the Lord Advocate, Mr. T. M. Cooper, will act for Scotland until an emergency arises.
They will not be paid in peacetime. — Reuter.

DEPRECATES TERM

Sir John Anderson has deprecated the description of the Commissioners as "Dictators" for their regions, but he has made clear that in a national emergency and particularly in the event of interruption of communications due to enemy action, important duties and responsibilities would devolve on them from the central Government. — British Wireless.

NEW PIERLOT CABINET LIST

Brussels, To-day.

The new Pierlot Cabinet consisting of Catholic, Liberal and non-Parliamentary Ministers to the exclusion of the Socialists was formed yesterday afternoon.

It includes six Catholics, four Liberals and three non-Parliamentarians.

The Catholic Ministers are the Premier and the Foreign Minister M. Pierlot, the Minister of Economy, M. Sap, Communications, M. Mark, Colonies, M. de Vleeschauwer, Agriculture, M. Daspremont-Lynden, Labour and Social Welfare, M. Delfosse.

The following are the Liberal Ministers:

Justice—M. Janson.
Interior—M. Devez.
Public Works—M. Vande.
Health—M. Jaspard.
Education—M. Duesberg.
Finance—M. Gutt.

Defence—General Denis (representative of non-Parliamentaries).
The two new members of the Cabinet are the Labour Minister M.

BREN GUN NOW ISSUED UP TO WAR SCALE

London, To-day.

Replying to a question relating to Bren guns, Mr. Leslie Hore-Belisha, the Secretary for War, stated in the House of Commons yesterday that the output was being enlarged.

Mr. Hore-Belisha said that a "sufficient capacity" was being created in Canada.

Australia, South Africa and India also contemplated establishing factories to manufacture Bren guns.

Mr. Hore-Belisha added that all regular infantry units at home and abroad, except in India and Burma, which were separately equipped, had had the Bren machine-gun issued up to war scale. — Reuter.

In reply to a question, the Minister declared that the license for manufacturing Bren machine-guns was the unrestricted property of Great Britain, thus denying rumours to the effect that after the incorporation of Bohemia and Moravia in the Reich, Bren machine-guns could no longer be produced under license in England. — Trans-Ocean.

MR. BUTLER CAUTIOUS

London, To-day.

REPORTS have been received of fighting at Kaifeng, in Honan, but it is not yet possible to vouch for their accuracy, said the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. R. A. Butler, in the House of Commons yesterday.

Mr. Butler was replying to Mr. W. Paling, Labour Member for Wentworth.

Otherwise, continued Mr. Butler, there had been no important changes since the House rose for Easter. — Reuter.

HITLER'S SURPRISE RETURN

Berlin, To-day.

Hitler returned to Berlin unexpectedly yesterday from his tour of Austria. — Reuter.

Delfosse and the Minister of Health, M. Jaspard. It will be recalled that following the decision of the Socialist Party Congress on Monday evening the Socialist Ministers withdrew from the Cabinet. — Trans-Ocean.

Chiang Kai-Shek's Message NO POSSIBILITY OF PEACE AT PRESENT

REICHSTAG BIGGER

Berlin, To-day.
A law passed by the Nazi Government yesterday increases the size of the Reichstag, which already numbers 855 deputies. Memel will send two deputies and Bohemia and Moravia one deputy for every 6,000 German voters. Hitler himself will pick the deputies.—Trans-Ocean.

Gafencu To Visit London

London, To-day.
THE Rumanian Foreign Minister, M. Gafencu, will arrive in London on Saturday this week on an official three-day visit.

The programme of the talks in which he will engage has not yet been fixed.

M. Gafencu arrived in Berlin yesterday and his official discussions in the Nazi capital will last two days.

He will then leave for Brussels en route to London.—Reuter.

An official statement put out in Berlin concerning the Ribbentrop talks with M. Gafencu says that far-reaching agreement of views prevailed in the first talks.

CAUGHT IN THE ACT

A Japanese, Kyutaro Makita, was charged before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest this morning, with entering the Colony without a valid passport.

Inspector Ritchie said defendant arrived from Canton yesterday. A fine of \$10 was imposed.

A Japanese woman, Mrs. Masa Noda, was fined \$5, for a similar offence.

George Vylegjanin, 56, merchant, residing at the Kowloon Hotel, was fined \$10, for with failing to register within 48 hours of his arrival. Defendant arrived here by the s.s. Corfu.

NEW POLISH RAILWAY

Paris, To-day.
M. de Monzie, the French Minister for Public Works will shortly leave for Warsaw to perform the opening ceremony of the new stretch of the Polish railway line linking the Baltic with Polish Upper Silesia. The ceremony will take place on Sunday next.—Trans-Ocean.

Chungking, To-day.

"In the existing circumstances there is no possibility for peace," declared General Chiang Kai-shek, in an interview with the press yesterday. Asked if Prince Konoye's peace terms still could be used as a basis for peace talks, General Chiang recalled his statement last December in which he described the "new order in East Asia" as nothing new but as another attempt at Japanese hegemony in Asia.

China took up resistance, the Generalissimo continued, for the preservation of her national life, liberty and independence, and the war would continue until these aims were achieved.

Nothing could shake the confidence and determination of the Chinese people to resist.

MORAL ISOLATION

Referring to Wang Ching-wei and his followers, the Generalissimo declared their moral isolation was a just condemnation and legal punishment could wait.

Questioned how the Sino-Japanese War would be terminated, the Generalissimo stated that this depended upon the march of events.

Japan, he said, had been reduced to a second-rate power as the result of China's prolonged resistance. The time was bound to come when Japan could no longer bear the strain of the war.

ACCUMULATION OF SMALL VICTORIES

The war would come to an end, he declared, when the Japanese militarists realised their mistakes and abandoned their attempt to conquer China.

Asked how the war situation would develop, the Generalissimo stated it had been China's policy to gain time at the sacrifice of space, finally defeating the enemy through the accumulation of small victories.

The Chinese plan has hitherto been highly successful, the Generalissimo pointed out. After 22 months of hostilities, China was able to hold many provinces intact with only deserted capitals in a few provinces in the hands of the Japanese.

PEACE "TRAITORS" CONDEMNED

Meanwhile, the Japanese were being dragged deeper and deeper into a swamp from which it would be difficult to extricate themselves. They were exposing themselves to constant attacks by the Chinese, who still hold the rural districts in the so-called occupied areas.

Concluding, the Generalissimo condemned "those traitors" who are agitating for a "peace" in Japanese interests.—Reuter.

Believed to be suicide, the body of an unknown Chinese was found hanging from a tree at Causeway Bay yesterday. The body was removed to the Public Mortuary but has not yet been identified.

NEW FRENCH APPOINTMENTS

Paris, To-day.

Following the Council of Ministers yesterday, three decrees were signed by President Lebrun, appointing three new French Governor-Generals, namely in Madagascar, French West Africa and French Equatorial Africa.

This simultaneous appointment of three high colonial officials is considered to be connected with measures by M. Daladier to assure the safety of the French Colonial Empire.—Trans-Ocean.

MEN, MONEY, MUNITIONS COMPULSORY MOBILISATION URGED

LONDON, TO-DAY.

"IMMEDIATE ACCEPTANCE OF THE PRINCIPLE OF COMPULSORY MOBILISATION OF THE MEN, MUNITIONS AND MONEY POWER OF THE NATION", IS URGED IN A MOTION PUT DOWN ON THE ORDER PAPER LAST NIGHT BY LT.-COL. L.C.M.S. AMERY, CONSERVATIVE M.P. FOR SPARK-BROOK.

Nearly 50 Government supporters, including Mr. A. Duff-Cooper (former First Lord of the Admiralty), Sir Edward Grigg, Sir John Wardlaw-Milne and Sir Stanley Reed, favour the motion.—Reuter.

Other supporters of the motion (adds Trans-Ocean) are Mr. Robert Boothby, Mr. Duncan Sandys (Mr. Winston Churchill's son-in-law), Sir Arnold Wilson (the well-known Conservative politician and publicist) and Mr. A. P. Herbert.

So Yuen, 40, was brought before Mr. T. J. Houston this morning, charged with larceny of barbed wire from Jubilee Fort, Felix Villas, yesterday.

Sentence of two months' imprisonment was imposed.

Nazi Bartering Denounced

Washington, To-day.

The Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, emphatically denounced Germany's barter system as an injurious boomerang, in a statement issued last evening.

Mr. Hull declared it was

Firstly, a highly disruptive influence on world commerce,

Secondly, injurious to the very countries which utilise it,

Thirdly, he said, it was leading inevitably to a curtailment of world trade, and

Fourthly, reducing the living standard of those countries pursuing such policies.

Mr. Cordell Hull referred to the recent investigation of the Department of Commerce showing that 16 countries with which the United States had trade agreements, had increased their purchases of American goods by 40 per cent. in the past three years.

At the same time, these countries had increased purchases of German goods by only 1.8 per cent.

SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES

Despite his general condemnation of the system, Mr. Cordell Hull acknowledged that there may be circumstances under which special types of barter arrangements may be considered

necessary to supplement other methods of trade promotion.

The latter qualifications, according to officials, would apply to Senator Byrnes' gigantic plan for exchange of essential commodities between the Democratic nations.—Reuter.

NO HOSTILITY BUT

London, To-day.

The President of the Board of Education, speaking in Edinburgh yesterday, said: "There is no hostility or bitterness in this country against the German people, but there is spirit of determination to prevent further aggression which any wise nation will hesitate to challenge."—British Wireless.

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THE DAILY SHORT STORY

BUSINESS DEAL

Bill Saunders, at the age of twenty-eight, had developed a keen eye for pretty girls and good business. The first time he saw Marie Lamont he decided here was a perfect combination.

Marie lived on a farm some distance back from the town of Rouergue in the Laurentian mountains, which is far back from the city of Montreal, which in turn is 383 miles north of New York city by rail, which is the point from which Bill Saunders and his friends started on their skiing expedition.

Marie, like everyone else and everything else in this land, was unlike anything to which Bill had been accustomed. She was natural and simple and genuinely beautiful. She was a member of the fifth generation of Lamonts who had occupied the farm where she now lived. Like all her ancestors, Marie had practically been raised on skis. She was as natural on skis as most girls are in high heeled shoes.

They gave Bill Saunders ideas. He talked his ideas over with Bee and Peter Harris, who were married and fortyish and the party's chaperones. Bill had known them all his life.

"All right, Bill," Peter Harris grinned. "We'll help you out. But are you sure you can get her to do it?" Bill grinned. "I've always," he said unboastfully, "been able to get

ed her to get used to things—the people and the snow and the general lay of the country round about.

Eventually there came the day of the first important meet and Bill bought Marie a white ski suit with a blue sash and a blue cap. She looked lovely, he thought. In fact, she looked more lovely and sweet and desirable than Bill had ever imagined any woman could look. But he tried not to think of these things.

"Give 'em the works, baby. Make 'em look like saps!"

"Eef you want for me to win I theenk eet will be easy, Beel." She looked up at him with her wide trusting eyes full of worship and innocence, and Bill found a sudden interest in objects that didn't remind him of that look.

Marie was a sensation. She won the meet hands down and Bill collected plenty of money and the newspaper boys frothed at the mouth because here was something worth writing about. Everyone was very happy, and Cedric Dawson, who was promoting the biggest meet in the East that season sought out Bill and made him a proposition that caused Bill's eyes to gleam. Suddenly he realized what a gold mine he had in little Marie Lamont, and he bought Cedric Dawson three drinks straight to celebrate—and to forget Marie's wide, trusting eyes.

By Barbara Ann Benedict.

most girls to do what I want, haven't I?" The couple knew this to be true.

So Bill cultivated pretty Marie Lamont, which wasn't hard because she was very naive and trusting, and Bill was very handsome. He met her folks and made them like him, and introduced them to Harris. Then he broached the plan.

"Oh, Beel!" Marie cried when he had finished, "eet weel be wonderful! Always have I wanted to go to New York. An' you weesh for me to breeng my skis? But in New York there ees no snow."

"If there isn't," Bill grinned, "they'll haul some in on freight cars. Baby, you'll knock 'em dead."

Bill's plan was simple. Marie would return to New York with them and be a guest of the Harris. She would bring her skis and under Bill's management be entered in all the local ski meets. There'd be nothing to it. He and the Harris would clean up.

Everything went smoothly. The elder Lamonts required a little persuasion, but presently they gave in. After all, they wanted their Marie to be happy. Marie was eager and excited and innocent. There was only one thing wrong with the entire arrangement. Marie got the impression from Bill's words and manner (as he intended she should) that the only reason he wanted her to come to New York was because he was in love with her and wanted her to be near him. The skiing was a side issue.

So they all went to New York. Marie was excited and happy and awed and a little frightened, just as Bill wanted and hoped. He didn't let her ski publicly at first. He want-

There's no telling how it all might have ended. Fate took a hand, as Fate is apt to do when things are not in harmony with themselves. Marie, feeling that she must have a breath of the fresh air to which she was used or suffocate in the little bedroom where she was supposed to be asleep, got up and dressed and went out on the wide moonlit veranda and stood near the railing outside the cocktail lounge. A waiter, who was also given to fresh air, opened a window of the cocktail lounge for a few moments—and Marie heard Bill Saunders and Cedric Dawson conversing.

She heard, and something cold and terrifying clutched at her heart. And suddenly she began to think of the farm back of the hamlet of Rouergue, of kerosene lamps and nickled stoves and Father Baptiste coming to visit and sleigh bells and laughing children on their way to school. Loneliness came over her, a loneliness too great to bear.

It was snowing when Bill Saunders reached Rouergue. Against the better judgment of the station agent he strapped on his skis and headed for the Lamont farm. Somehow he made it, but he collapsed on the kitchen floor when he came in. Presently he opened his eyes and there was Marie, and peace came to his soul. He talked slowly at first, then more rapidly, explaining, pleading. Marie listened with wide, astonished eyes, and both she and Bill were glad her parents couldn't understand English.

They didn't understand English, but they understood other things—like when Marie knelt down beside the couch and Bill took her into his arms. Anyone could understand that. (Copyright, 1939, By The Associated Newspapers).

Italians Still Rant About Alleged Encirclement Plan

NAZIS QUIET ABOUT RUMANIA NEGOTIATIONS

Berlin, To-day.

The first interview between the Rumanian Foreign Minister, M. Gafencu, and the Nazi Foreign Minister, Herr von Ribbentrop, took place yesterday afternoon and lasted two hours.

Official quarters remain reticent as the questions discussed during the talks, which will be continued to-day.

In a speech at a banquet given for the Rumanian diplomats, Herr von Ribbentrop said their presence in Berlin offered the opportunity for a "frank exchange of views."

M. Gafencu in reply said it was his duty to strive for a better understanding between Germany and Rumania.—Trans-Ocean.

ANGLO-FRENCH AIR FORCE FUEL AGREEMENT

London, To-day.

By an agreement between the British and French Governments, military planes of both countries will be permitted to obtain fuel duty free, states a White Book issued yesterday.

The White Book records an exchange of Notes to this effect between the British Ambassador in Paris, Sir Eric Phipps, and the French Foreign Minister, M. Georges Bonnet.

The agreement provides for extension of the privilege to all colonies and other overseas possessions of both States.

The White Book reveals that the Agreement was signed on November 8 last year. — Reuter.

HOLDING HUNGARY TO THE AXIS POWERS

Rome, To-day.

Commenting on the visit of the Hungarian Statesmen to Rome, the semi-official "Giornale d'Italia" writes that this "meeting of friends" assumes special importance in view of the existing European situation.

Recent events, and particularly the aggressive encirclement policy pursued by the Western Powers, which threatened to split up Europe ever more and more into two antagonistic blocs, had a special significance for the determination of Hungary's policy.

"The bare facts show that most of the problems interesting Hungary also affect the interests of the Axis powers. For this reason, Hungary has for some time past pursued a policy which was parallel and harmoniously adapted to the policy of Germany and Italy."

"Her adhesion to the anti-Comintern pact and secession from the League of Nations affords concrete proof of the spirit inspiring Hungarian policy and there can be no doubt that this policy will continue to remain as clearly defined in the new acute phase of the European crisis inaugurated by the action of Britain and France."

ENCIRCLEMENT POLICY

The paper goes on to say that if only for geographical reasons Hungary must be affected by the Anglo-French encirclement policy which has had the official support of the United States.

"Italy had never failed to assist Hungary in the task of establishing friendly relations with her neighbours, especially Yugoslavia. On the other hand, Rome understood Hungary's reserved attitude towards Rumania, whose services Britain and France were endeavour-

ing to enlist for their own egoistic purposes.

The paper concludes saying that the forthcoming discussions between the Hungarian and German statesmen in Berlin will be not less cordial than the present discussions in Rome.—Trans-Ocean.

REINSURANCE BY GOVERNMENT

Details of the provisional scheme for reinsurance of the marine insurance market, in so far as it concerns King's Enemy risks on cargoes destined for discharge in or shipped from the United Kingdom, which was promised by Mr. Oliver Stanley in the Commons last Thursday, are given in a White Paper issued by the Board of Trade yesterday.—British Wireless.

URBAN COUNCIL BAN ON URBAN PIG-BREEDING

A DECISION BY MR. E. HIMSWORTH THIS MORNING WILL AFFECT MANY PIG-BREEDERS. IT WAS THE OUTCOME OF MANY PIG SUMMONSES, 227 IN ALL.

Mr. P. W. Blythe, representing defendants, stated that the cases were adjourned in March, to allow a petition to be sent to the Governor. His clients had suggested either to be allowed to carry on their trade, or to change their places of business, these places to be picked by the Urban Council anywhere in the New Territories.

He had just, on behalf of his clients, received the Governor's reply to the petition, and that answer was, in gist, that his clients must comply with the orders and notices of the Urban Council.

He asked that the case be again adjourned to the Autumn to allow his clients to take away or sell their pigs, especially those just been born, of which there many at this time of year.

Senior Sanitary Inspector Lockhart, for the Urban Council, said he had been instructed to ask that the case be adjourned one month, during which time the defendants would have to sell or take their pigs away.

Mr. Blythe asked that more than a month be allowed.

Mr. E. Himsworth said that there was nothing for him to do but to comply with the wishes of the Urban Council.

Burma Road Open To Traffic Through The Rains

London, To-day.

Lt.-Colonel Muirhead, Under-Secretary for India and Burma, replied in the House of Commons yesterday to a question regarding the new Burma-Yunnan road.

Lt.-Col. Muirhead said the Burma section was now open to all vehicles not exceeding five tons gross.

It was anticipated that improvements now being made would keep the road open for this traffic during the rains.

An adequate supply of petrol was available at Lashio and at three other points between there and the frontier.

No special protection against air-

craft existed on the Burma section of the road, he concluded.—Reuter.

CONSULATE IN RANGOON

The Chinese Consulate in Rangoon, will be raised to the status of a consulate-General, with a consular office in Lashio, according to a decision of the Executive Yuan at a meeting yesterday.—Central News.



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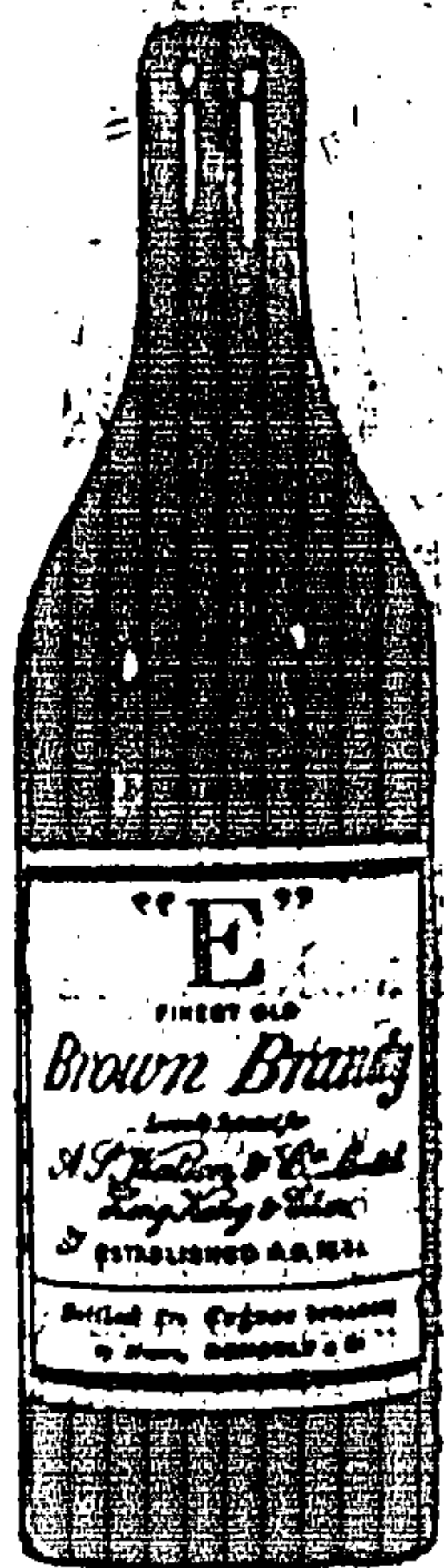
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HITLER CALLS THE REICHSTAG

Herr Hitler has called the Reichstag to hear his reply to President Roosevelt's message. The fact has encouraged hope that the uncompromising rejection suggested by the Nazi press will be subject to official modification. There is no concrete foundation for such a hope. Hitler has spent the last two days visiting troops; forming his own estimate of the strength of German resources? He needs opportunity for a personal discussion with General Goering on the results of his visit to Libya and his conversations in Rome. No change of tone has been detectable in the German press. It will be time to expect a more accommodating spirit from Herr Hitler when such a change is observed, and not before.

We should like to feel otherwise. But there are far too many signs that Herr Hitler to-day is proceeding to translate into action his long-cherished adoration of Frederick the Great. Maria Theresa of Austria rejected, as the proposals of "a mere robber," Frederick's offer of military assistance in exchange for recognition of "rights" in Silesia which his father and predecessor had expressly disclaimed; whereupon Frederick, in the very manner which the modern world supposes to be the latest fashion, invaded Silesia without declaration of war. Bismarck in the sixties of the last century followed a similar course; and the story of how, in order to acquire Austrian territory (in Holstein), and while preparing to fight Austria, he first made a treaty with Vienna recognising Austrian rights to Holstein, holds up the mirror to the Wilhelmstrasse of to-day. Bismarck's deliberate duping of the French Emperor in order to prevent his intervention is the very model of the current Hitler-Ribbentrop procedure. As Mr. Wickham Steed has recently pointed out, the racial "ideology" of Hitler is but the revival of the philosophies in succession of Fichte, Froebel, and Nietzsche, the foundation of Pan-Germanism to which the ex-Kaiser William also succumbed—for the world-wide advancement of "Kultur."

It is with this intractable force that we have been striving to compose a peace. In "Mein Kampf" Herr Hitler has defined what he means by peace—a peace not supported by the fearful pacifist lamentations of palm-waving females, but founded upon the victorious sword of a ruling race, bending the world to the service of a higher kultur."

The quasi-religious frenzy of the Nazi swastika-worship is emblematic of the German concept of "kultur," which has been aptly described as "mastery, effort ceaselessly renewed, constant struggle without final satisfaction in principle." The world has heard often enough from the Nazis that this predatory "ideology," in its modern revival, is not for export, only for Germans—in other words that it is not for the regimentation of others. With the outrage committed on the Czech peoples this assurance has now gone the way of the Fuehrer's other assurances. Herr Hitler has thrown down the gage to Europe as surely as Napoleon did. There is real purport in the demand by speakers in the House of Commons to know what limits were intended in recent warnings to the dictators expressed in the traffic sign—"Halt! Main road ahead." The line of resistance to the domineering of Europe must be drawn. It was Washington's conviction that Herr Hitler has crossed his Rubicon, and committed to his supreme adventure for the uncontrolled mastery of Europe which led to President Roosevelt's intervention. It presumes to attempt the feat of checking Hitler in his stride.

Preparation in France

France has never been seriously divided about the reality of the German threat; and the Franco-German Pact, which is now officially dead, has had a hardly noticeable existence. It is natural, therefore, since the threat is now stripped of its last camouflage, that France should concentrate on meeting it. M. Daladier recently asked for, and received, special powers of the widest possible nature; from now until November he and his Cabinet will be able to order by decree "any measures suitable to maintaining or increasing the forces of France." This phrase gives the Prime Minister powers of the widest scope; far wider than the exceptional financial powers which were granted to M. Daladier in April of last year; but the need is now correspondingly more acute. Last year the cry was that France should return to work, whereas now, in M. Daladier's own words, it is that France shall become a "great munitions factory." Yet, while the need for granting the Government the power to take swift and drastic decisions can hardly be questioned, the political basis on which this power has been assumed is open to criticism. A democratic country can only surrender its fundamental privileges when there is agreement on means as well as on ends, and the composition of the present Government is far from universally approved. M. Daladier, it is true, is not so wholly identified with the collapsed policy of Munich as M. Bonnet—or for that matter as Mr. Chamberlain—but it is unusual for a Government which must necessarily be seriously discredited by the failure of its foreign policy to dictate in the name of the nation. The desire to see the French Government made more representative is not a monopoly of the Socialists and Communists; M. Daladier's chief opponent in the debate which secured him his powers was a deputy of the Right, M. de Kerillis. Should such a Government be found it would only copy the fundamental unity of France in the face of danger, as typified by M. Jourdain's assurances on behalf of the T.G.C.

RUSSIANS ALLEGED TO BE AIDING CHINA

Believed To Be Operating Artillery In Shansi

Spectacular Chinese Advance On This Front

Peiping, To-day.

Japanese official despatches claim that Russians are assisting the Chinese offensive in South Shansi.

According to the Japanese spokesman, Russian tactics and methods of firing are being employed by the Chinese artillery on this front.

Asked if Russian-trained Chinese might be responsible, the spokesman replied he believed Russians were operating the artillery.

Heavy fighting continues on many fronts in the North.

There have been five battles in south Shansi, two near Paotingfu, one south of Kaifeng and another north-east of Peiping.—Reuter.

JAPANESE RETREATING NORTHWARDS

Peiping, To-day.

The fighting is becoming more intense in Shansi, and the battles are now moving northward towards the centre of the province.

Fighting in north Honan and central Hopei continues, and no substantial advantage appears to have been gained by either side.—Reuter.

Japanese Shorten Lines Round Canton

(From Our Own Correspondent)
Macao, To-day.

The Japanese are shortening their defence lines in the North and East River Regions by withdrawing their troops gradually from areas likely to be attacked by the Chinese.

Tsengshing is now fully occupied by the Chinese following their second successful raid on the city.

CHINA'S CONTROL IN "OCCUPIED" ZONE

LONDON, TO-DAY.

THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT CLAIM TO EXERCISE COMPLETE ADMINISTRATIVE CONTROL OVER 61.5 PER CENT. OF THE NINE PROVINCES IN WHICH THE JAPANESE ARE AT PRESENT OPERATING.

So declared the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. R. A. Butler, in the House of Commons yesterday in reply to a question by Mr. H. J. Parker (Labour, Romford), and quoting the latest Chinese official figures.

This figure, continued Mr. Butler, compared with 7.5 per cent. under Japanese control and 31 per cent. partly under Chinese and partly under Japanese control.—Reuter.

and the outskirts of that town have been cleared of all Japanese troops.

Meanwhile the Chinese are following up their success and are reported advancing cautiously in the direction of Canton, proceeding along the Tsengshing-Canton Highway.

POKLO-HSIEN BOMBED

Yesterday afternoon nine Japanese machines bombed Poklo-Hsien, on the East River. Over 30 bombs dropped in the centre of the city, demolishing some 20 houses and killing and wounding more than 120 civilians.

Late last night, vernacular messages reported that rescue workers were still searching the debris for bodies. This raid is the worst experienced since the re-occupation of Poklo-Hsien by Chinese guerillas at the beginning of this year.—Our Own Correspondent.

COAST SHELLED

The east coast of Chung Shan District was heavily shelled yesterday by several Japanese gunboats. No landing was attempted.—Our Own Correspondent.

WEST RIVER QUIET

Pakhoi, Limchowfu and Yamchow were bombed yesterday by Japanese aircraft.

There has been little military activity along the West River for the last few days.—Our Own Correspondent.

JAPANESE MASSING AT SHEKTAN

Yungyun, To-day.

Japanese reinforcements are pouring into Shektan, for a counter-offensive against Tsengshing.

Three Japanese columns, comprising about 8,000 men, have been driving on Paitam, a tributary of the Tseng River, to threaten the rear of the Chinese at Tsengshing. They have encountered stiff resistance in the neighbourhood of Tsengfa.—Central News.

CHINESE THREAT TO WUHU

Ningkuo, To-day.

Chinese forces on the Anhwei-Kiangsu border regions, which started a general offensive on April 16, have been making steady progress.

Fighting has been raging at Tuanshan and Kiulishan, to the

LINDBERGH SUMMONED FOR ACTIVE SERVICE

Washington, To-day.

Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh has been summoned for active service from to-day.

Col. Lindbergh will be assigned to the office of Chief of the Air Corps for special duties.—Reuter.

CARBIDE EXPLOSION IN MONGKOK

A carbide drum, which was being welded at No. 28, Shantung Street, Mongkok, exploded yesterday afternoon, resulting in five persons, including a 12-year-old boy-student, who was passing by, being injured and later admitted to the Kowloon Hospital for treatment.

Four of the injured have been detained in hospital, the fifth was discharged after treatment.

Immediately after the explosion which rocked most of the buildings in the neighbourhood, police whistles were blown. The fire brigade was also summoned to the scene but its services were not necessary as no fire broke out.

One of the injured is reported to be in a serious condition having sustained injuries to the head and face.

Wulipai, Chilangmiao and Chenshan have been re-occupied.—Central News.

HAN RIVER FIGHTING

Ichang, To-day.

The Japanese have called in reinforcements and started a new assault on Heliutu, crossing the Han River.—Central News.

northwest of Hsuancheng, and Kiangsihchen, south of Wanchih.

The Japanese at Wanchih, which is 23 miles south of Wuhu, have been increased in anticipation of a Chinese drive towards Wuhu.—Central News.

KAIFENG LULL

Loyang, To-day.

Fighting in the vicinity of Kaifeng has slackened. Japanese forces rushing to Chenliu and Tungshu from Kaifeng as reinforcements have been intercepted.—Central News.

CHINESE APPROACHING KUYANG

Wuyuan, To-day.

A Chinese force is rapidly approaching Kuyang, northeast of Paotow in Suiyuan.—Central News.

KAOAN CLASH

Changsha, To-day.

Chinese forces counter-attacking at Kaoan, are engaging the Japanese to the northwest of the town.



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Order Gradually Being Restored In Palestine

ISOLATED ACTS OF SABOTAGE OR TERRORISM

London, To-day.

Further progress has been made in the past month towards restoration of order in Palestine, stated Mr. Malcolm Macdonald, Secretary for the Colonies, replying to questions in the House of Commons yesterday.

As a result of firm and energetic action by troops and police, large Arab bands were broken up, one of the chief gang-leaders killed and another, who had taken refuge across the Syrian border, has surrendered to the French authorities.

Considerable quantities of arms, munitions and explosions have been seized or surrendered, but isolated acts of terrorism and sabotage continue.

The Government was not yet in a position to make a statement in regard to future policy.

The Opposition Labour member, Mr. Tom Williams, suggested that in view of the international situation, a final decision on Palestine should at any rate be deferred for six or 12 months.

CAIRO TALKS

Mr. Macdonald replied that that was one of the matters the Government was bearing in mind.

Mr. Geoffrey Mander (Liberal) asked in regard to the "negotiations going on recently in Cairo in regard to Palestine."

Mr. Macdonald replied that there were no negotiations going on but that was a different question which he would answer to-day.—Reuter.

MORE DECREE LAWS APPROVED IN FRANCE

Paris, To-day.

More decree laws were adopted at yesterday morning's meeting of the Council of Ministers.

They include a decree concerning the new organisation for buying war materials.

During the meeting, the Premier, M. Edouard Daladier, made a statement on the international situation in which he emphasised the need for vigilance.—Reuter.

BULGARIAN MINISTER ON MISSION

London, To-day.

The Bulgarian Minister to London, M. Momchiloff, left yesterday for Sofia where, it is stated, he will discuss the international situation with his Government.

It is not known whether M. Momchiloff, who will return to his post in a few days, is the bearer of any special communication from the British to the Bulgarian Government.—Trans-Ocean.

LAUNCH CREW GET A DUCKING

The fall into the harbour of two members of the crew of the Yaumati ferry launch, Man Tao, at 8.35 a.m. this morning caused excitement among the passengers.

The seamen were engaged in cleaning the funnel and the roof, when sudden wind caused the vessel to heel.

Other craft quickly gathered at the spot and eventually both men were rescued by the steam launch Penquin.

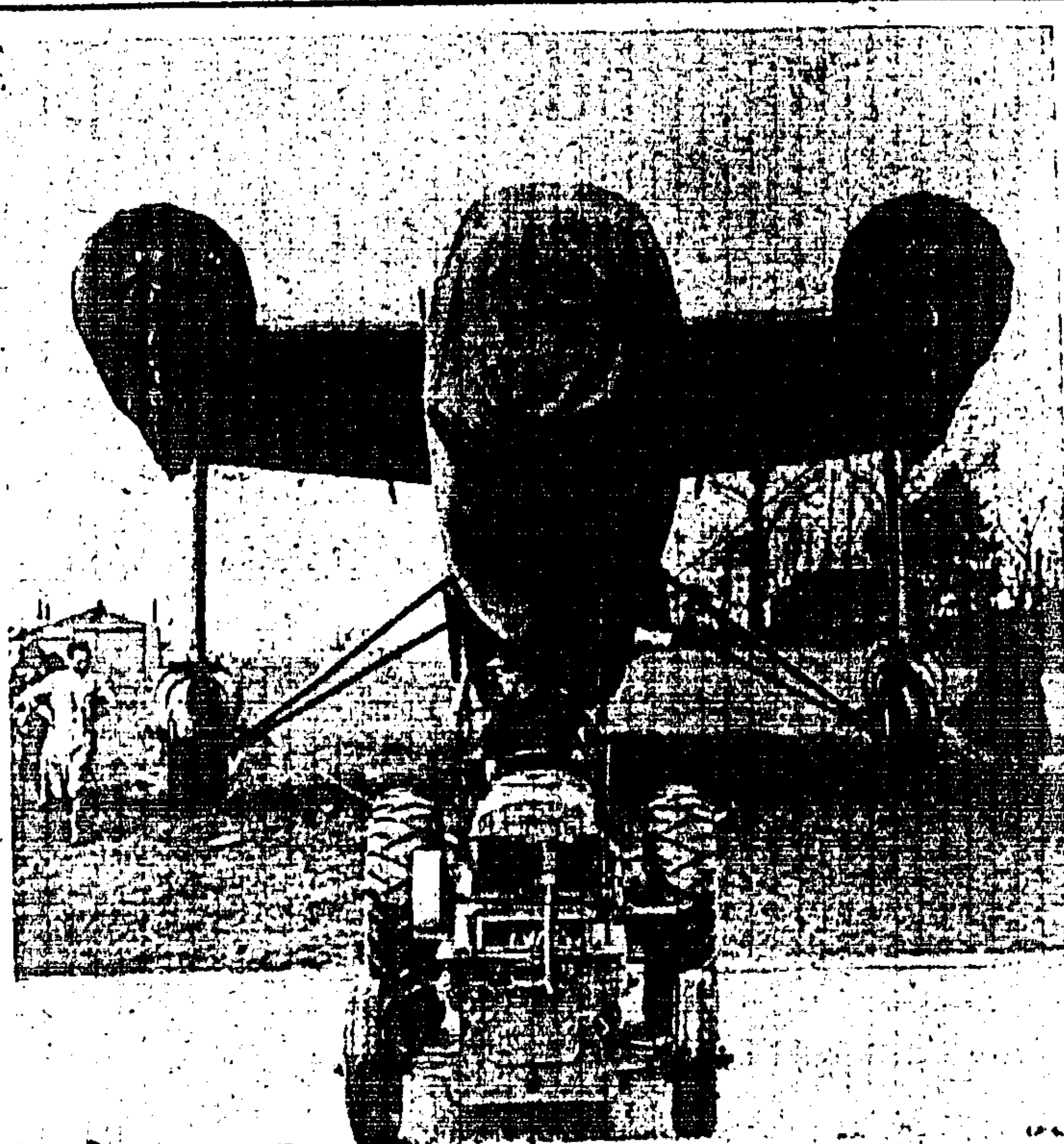
RAIDS IN PALESTINE

Jerusalem, To-day.

What is held to be the biggest raid carried out by the police and

military since the outbreak of the disturbances, occurred in the Old City of Jerusalem yesterday.

Every house was searched and 60 Arabs identified as terrorists and arrested.—Trans-Ocean.



RE-FUELLING PLANES FOR ATLANTIC ROUTE.—Two re-fuelling planes to be used for refuelling the Trans-Atlantic flying boats at Botwood, Newfoundland, have arrived at Hamble, Hants, and have been loaded on to a barge before being shipped for Canada. Photo shows one of the planes being hauled across the road by tractor to be loaded on to barge.

PANAMA TO BE ENLARGED

Washington, To-day.

A Bill authorising expenditure of £277,000,000 for improving and enlarging the Panama Canal, has been approved by the merchant marine committee of the House of Representatives.—Reuter.

H.M.S. CARDIFF TO BE REPLACED ON CHINA STATION

London, To-day.

The Admiralty announces that it has been decided that H.M.S. Cardiff, at present serving on the China Station, will return to the United Kingdom.

The cruiser is leaving about the end of April and will be replaced in due course by a larger cruiser.—Reuter.

FRANCO-SPANISH MOROCCO TALKS

Rabat, To-day.

A mission of high Spanish officials has arrived here from Spanish Morocco to discuss with the French authorities relations between Spanish and French Morocco.—Reuter.

SURPLUS FOOD FOR NEEDY: U.S. EXPERIMENT

New York, To-day.

A plan to distribute surplus foodstuffs among families with low incomes is to be tried experimentally in the near future, announced the Secretary of Agriculture, Mr. Henry A. Wallace, yesterday.

A new system of food stamps is to be used, and Rochester, New York State, has been chosen as the first of six towns in which the scheme will be tried over a period of from two to four months.—Reuter.

PASSPORT CASES

Sentence of six months' hard labour was passed on Yip Kam, 28, by Mr. T. J. Houston this morning, for house-breaking, possession of implements fit for unlawful purpose, and larceny of two unlawful purpose, and larceny of two brass locks, from a warehouse at No. 8 Cadogan Street.

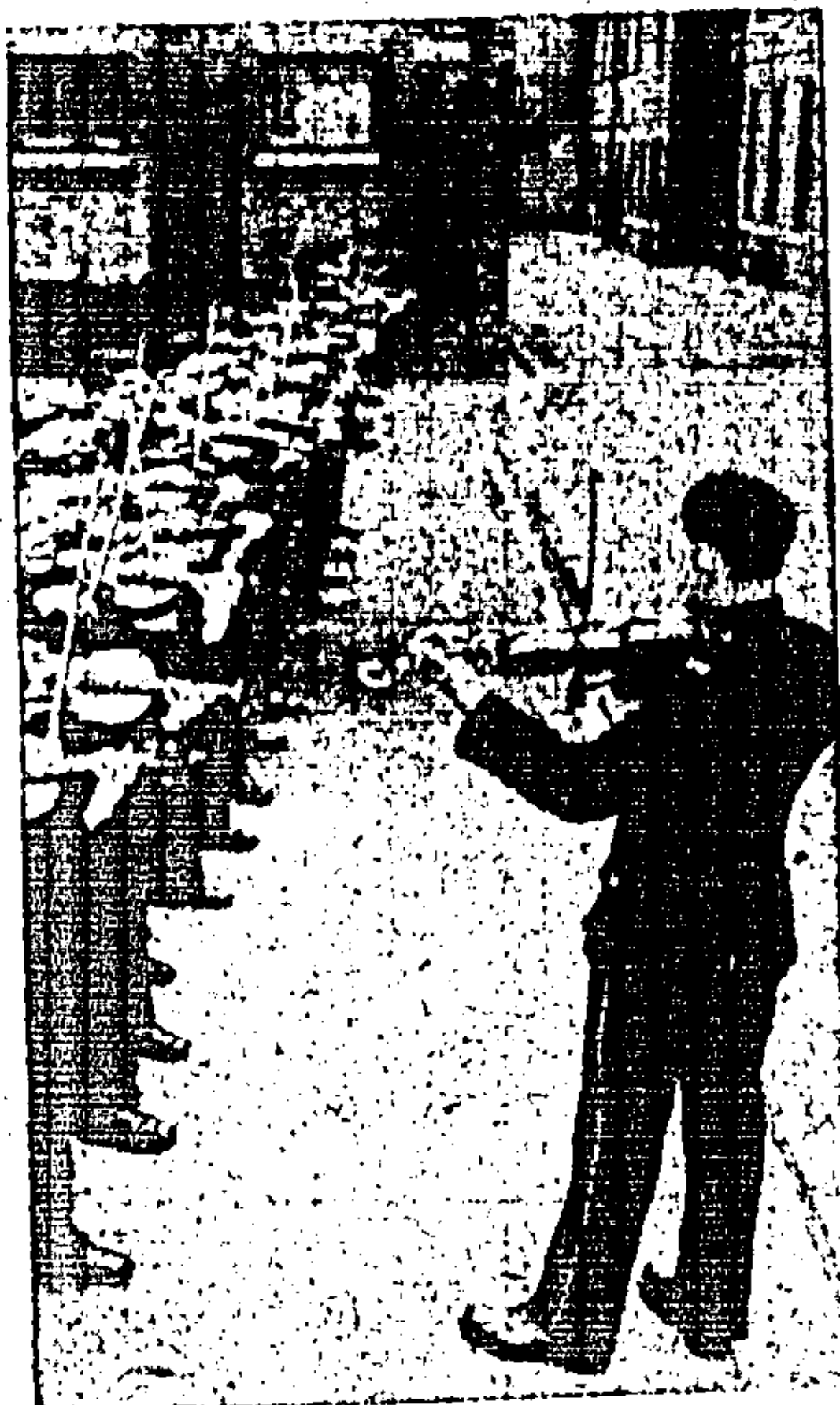
Inspector O'Donovan told the Court that about 2.30 p.m. yesterday, complainant went to his godown, and found the door locks broken. He entered and saw defendant running out.

Defendant had three previous convictions, and was placed under police supervision for two years.

Second Officer Moones of the s.s. Prunto lost a wrist-watch and money to the value of \$103, according to report made to the Police yesterday.

The watch and money were stolen from a drawer in the officer's cabin.

News Snack Bar



MUSIC FOR THE NAVY.—A number of boys are being trained as musicians at the Royal Navy School of Music at Deal. They will eventually join ship's or Royal Marine bands. Photo shows the Navy's future violinists under instruction.

PRESENTED FROM COURT

From London's Highgate Police Court:—

Woman: No, I never count the money my husband gives me. He always tells me that he makes sure he hasn't given me too much.

Same Woman: I appealed to my husband to stay for the sake of the children. He put on his hat and said: "Application dismissed."

Motorist: I have had a lot of motoring experience, so you can take it from me that if a car is travelling at thirty miles an hour, the driver is also travelling at thirty . . . or thereabouts.

Another woman: I do not know where my husband bought these goods. But I do know they were made in Denmarkshire.

WHALE 'WRECKED'

A whale, weighing six tons, measuring 16ft., was washed ashore at Flamborough, near Bridlington, and officially classed as a "ship-wreck." The animal was still alive. A local teacher took his pupils down for nature lesson.

SILVER FOX 5-YEAR PLAN

Scientists are being put to work by the U.S. Government to provide more silver fox and mink furs. The Biological Survey Department has announced the inauguration of a five-year plan to study food requirements of silver foxes. It was explained that fur farms suffer heavy losses in animals because of insufficient knowledge of feeding requirements.

America's farms alone now produce about 300,000 silver fox and 200,000 mink pelts a year.

FLEW 100 MILES TO JOB

Ten thousand miles by aeroplane to be a housemaid is the record of Fraulein Helga Maertz, nineteen, a refugee from Germany. She arrived in Sydney (New South Wales) by Dutch air liner, having flown from Amsterdam at a cost of about £200.

ASTRONOMERS "FIGHT" LIGHTS

London must become more soberly lighted, or Greenwich Observatory will have to seek a wilderness in which to perform its duties.

That is the alternative suggested by the Astronomer Royal, Dr. H. Spencer Jones. He says that modern astronomy included photographic exposures at night. But the time had come when astronomers at Greenwich had to contend with the continually increasing brightness of the skies caused by London lighting. Some types of astronomical work had so become impossible.

HIS DAILY ROUND

In Carisbrooke Castle (Isle of Wight) there's a well 16ft. deep: beside it there's a treadmill wheel. More than 300 years ago, prisoners used to be taken from their dungeons and made to draw the castle's water supply by walking in the wheel.

But when Mr. Balchin, the attendant, demonstrates Carisbrooke's ancient wheel-well for visitors of to-day, he calls in experts at doing donkey work . . . Neddy, or one of Neddy's two companions—only donkeys employed by the Office of Works.

EARL TO SELL A VILLAGE

Earl Poulett is to sell the agricultural portions (about 3,200 acres) of Hinton St. George, between Yeovil and Taunton, in Somerset. This comprises nearly all the village of Hinton St. George, two hamlets, two public houses, an old monastery and in all seventeen farms.

GREAT EGGSPECTATIONS

I used to breed chickens, and it makes my mouth water—3s. a dozen for eggs in July," said Mr. Justice Charles at Sussex (Lewes) Assizes. When the question of the price of milk was raised, the Judge could not say anything, as he "had never bred cows."

Referring to increasing necessity for accurate time checks, he said that one new clock was capable of keeping time to within one-thousandth of a second a day.

£100,000 INSURANCE FOR MAGNA CARTA COPY

The copy of Magna Carta which is being sent to New York to be shown in the British pavilion at the World Fair has been valued for insurance at £100,000 although no amount could measure its value.

So that it should not suffer the slightest injury in its journey from Lincoln Cathedral a special casket has been designed.

Another exhibit requiring special care was Mr. Frank Salisbury's picture of the coronation scene at Westminster Abbey. This is 17ft. long by more than 10ft. wide and had to be packed with the utmost skill.

There are in fact four copies of the Great Charter signed by the seal of King John at Runnymede, near Windsor, in 1215, and several unsigned copies of the same date. Two of the sealed copies are in the British Museum, another in Salisbury Cathedral. That from Lincoln, however, is regarded as the best preserved and most clearly written.

JAPAN'S EMPEROR BUYS CHARCOAL CAR

The Emperor of Japan has bought a "Buck Ryan" car which burns charcoal—part of Japan's campaign to save petrol.



Lady Kennet, the sculptress, is now at work on a statue of the late Lord Delamere which some of his friends in Kenya have commissioned. When finished the bronze will be shipped to Nairobi and erected in the main square in memory of one who was a pioneer in the colony. The statue, 9ft high, represents Lord Delamere as he was best remembered—wearing a cardigan open shirt and flannel-trousers.

"RAT" SHE CAUGHT WAS BAG OF MONEY

A St. Briavel (Glos.) farmer had a shock when, on returning home from Chepstow Market, he felt in his pocket and discovered that his money-bag, containing £53, was missing. "Hm. Pickpocket, I suppose," he concluded, and resigned himself to his loss.

But a few days later he had a pleasant surprise. His money-bag with contents intact was handed to him.

Busily feeding mangolds into a pulper at Grange Farm, Bosbury (Herefordshire), Mrs. Baggus had seen something resembling a rat and promptly stabbed it with her pitchfork. Then she had seen it was not a rat but a dirty cloth bag, had opened it and to her amazement found it contained forty-eight £1 notes and a £5 note—and an account which gave her a clue that led to her tracing the owner.

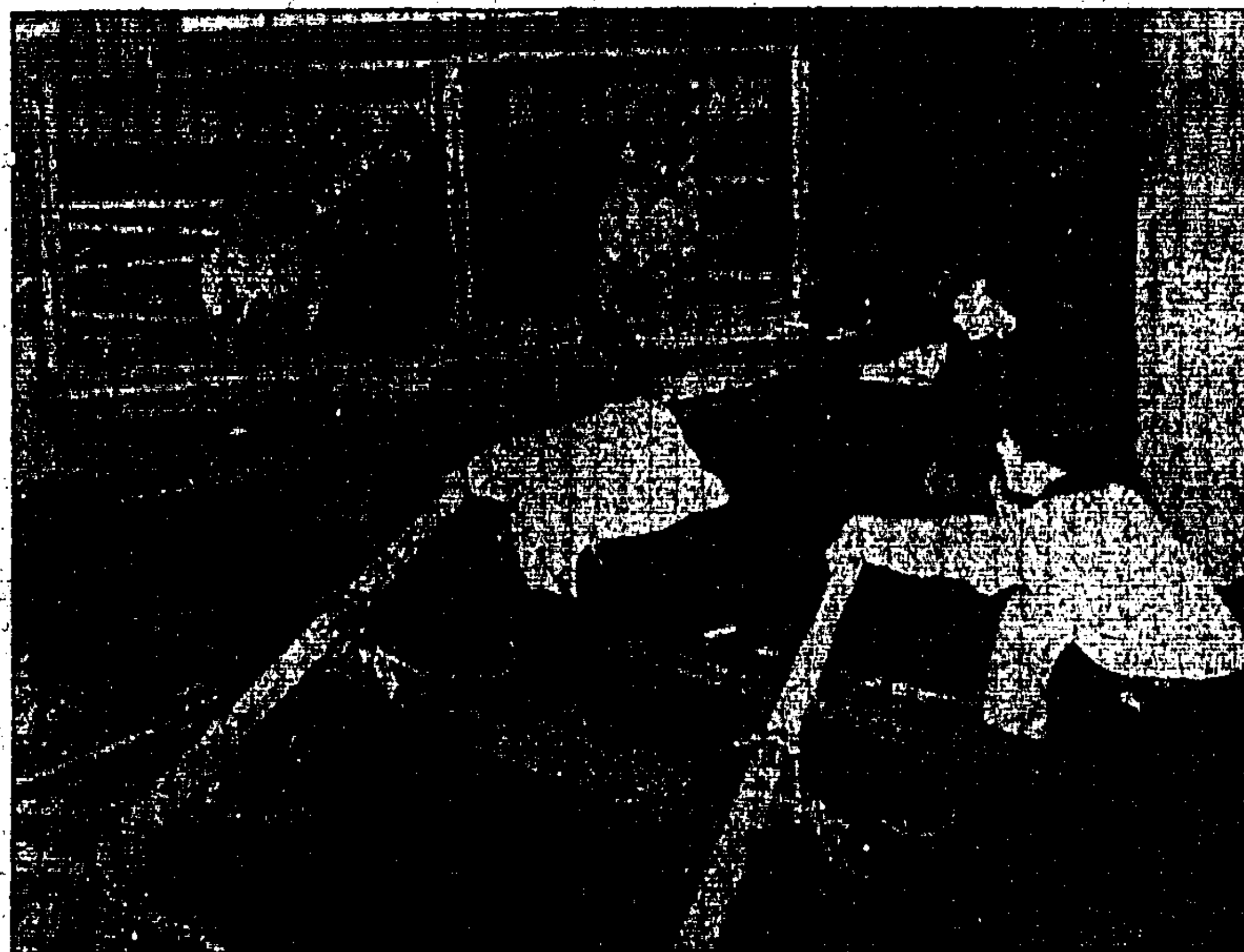
FAMILY OF 124

A large white sow owned by Mr. Herbert G. Betts, the Nurseries, Yelverton (Norfolk), has produced seven litters—14, 15, 16, 19, 19, 22 and (a few days ago) 19, a total of 124.

Digging in her garden, Cylmra Chapple, aged ten, of 1, Dale View-avenue, Chingford, E., found a George II farthing.

More than 500 years ago Alexander Narracott was appointed sexton of Stoke Gabriel Church, Devonshire, and a Narracott has been sexton there ever since.

A white-tailed eagle has been seen recently on the moors above the Derwent Valley, Derbyshire. Just before the Great War a golden eagle, now in Derby Museum, was shot in the same locality.



London University girls at work in the tank at Chiswick receiving instructions from their cox, Miss Mary Lunn. The mirrors enable the girls to detect their own faults in rhythm etc.

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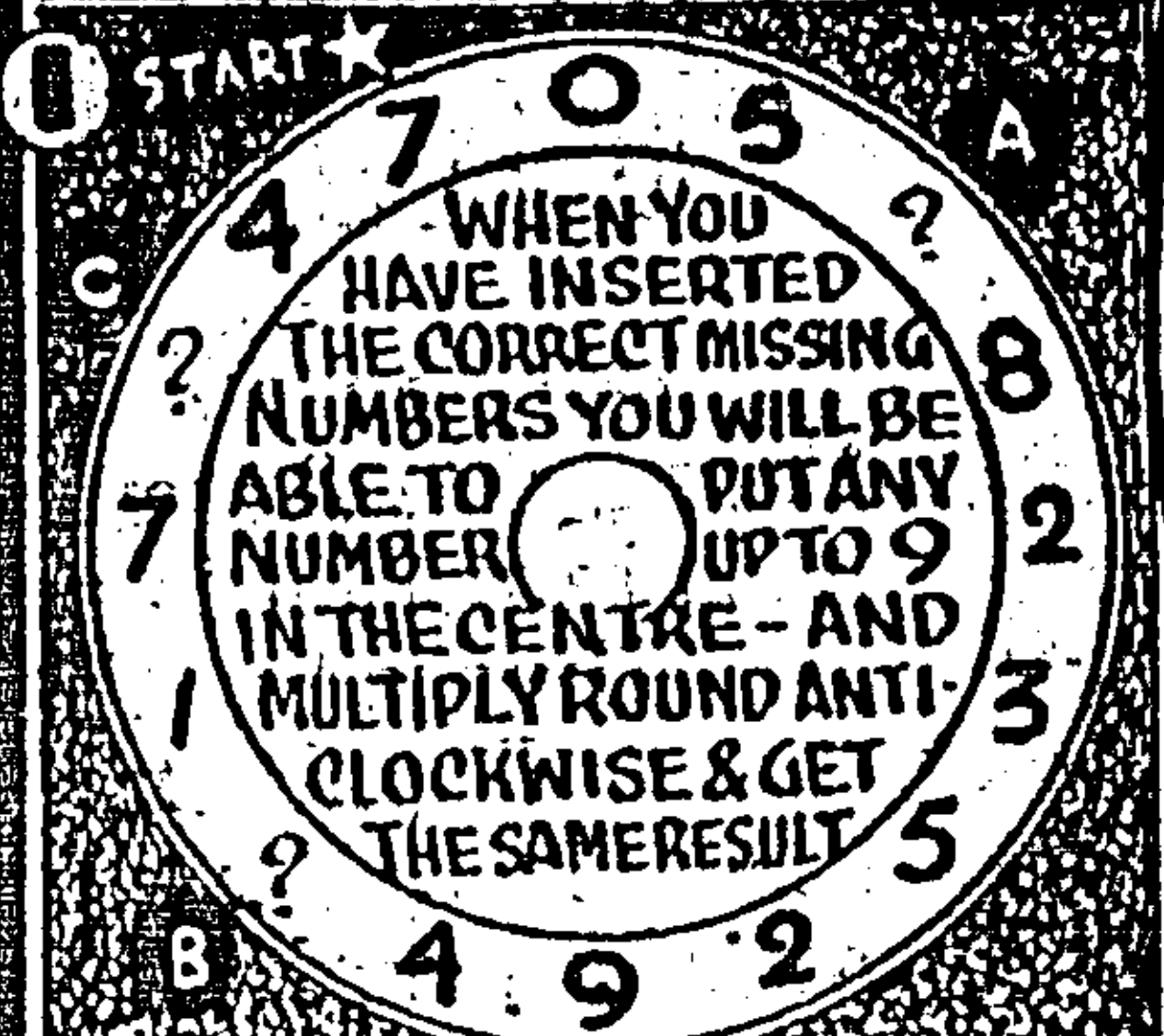
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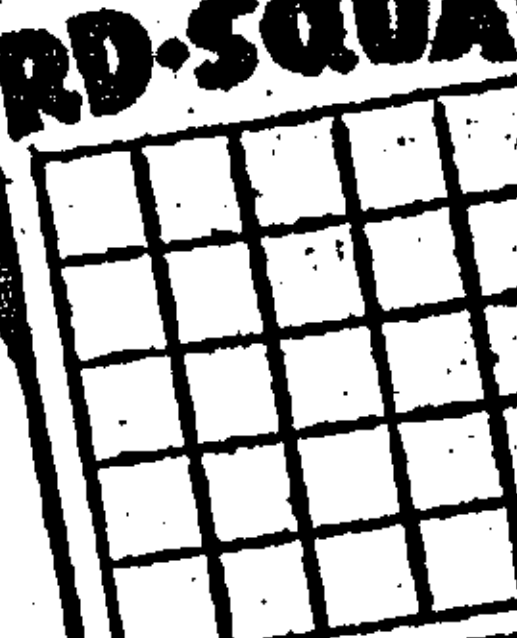
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A MAN'S own particular brand of humour is a signpost to his character.

The sort of things that make him laugh!

The sort of jokes he makes!

Girls! If you're picking out a man for yourself, do pay attention to this.

It's important!

First, there's the man who appreciates wit and wisecracks and suchlike.

Here's the sort of thing he likes:

"Young man, don't you know what good clean fun is?"

"No! What good is it?"

Or cynicisms like these:

A woman should hold on to her youth—but not while he's driving.

It's better to be a widow's second husband than her first.

Parents are the last people who ought to have children.

Knitting gives a woman something to talk about while she's talking.

But inside it made him a brilliant, first-class intolerable nagger.

At the other extreme, beware of the tortured soul whose witticisms are always at his own expense. He is his own butt always.

As a husband he's likely to make a martyred nuisance of himself.

But the man who can wisecrack good-humouredly at things and people in general—and very occasionally at himself—is a charming gay companion.

Then there is the man who appreciates comedy. He would enjoy this joke:

A bottle of whisky broke in Jock's pants. Said his friend:

"Jock! What's the matter with your pants?"

"I don't know, Sam. It's blood!"

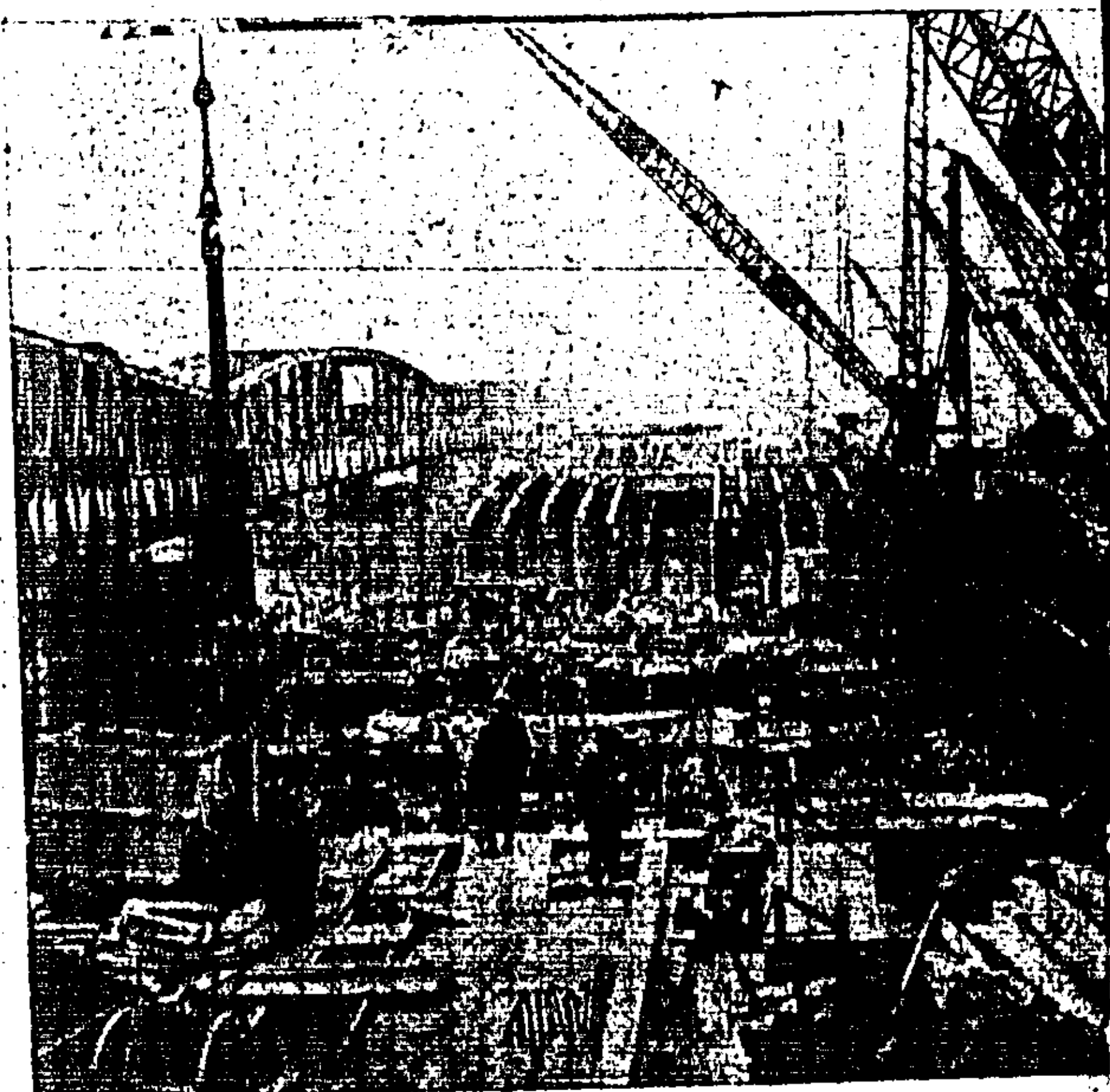
He enjoys clever roars at slap-stick to entertaining of good old comedians.

He will enjoy a that has a little "in it"—provided it is pretty.

Incidentally women, are particularly they attempt to be.

But the non-stop tales is suffering of repression and a psychologist.

He is certainly



The new Waterloo Bridge is now making good progress of the recent strike of labourers. Here is a new view of a tall crane and gives some idea of the advanced state

Bringing Up Father

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PARDON—SIR—YOU LOOK WORRIED—DO YOU HAVE TO GO TO THE OPERA THIS EVENING?

NO—I JUST SAW MAGGIE'S BROTHER—AND MIND YOU—HE WAS AWAKE—AN' CARRYIN' A HEAVY BUNDLE—

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5 CAN YOU SPOT IT?
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Can you fill in the other numbers in the usual way?

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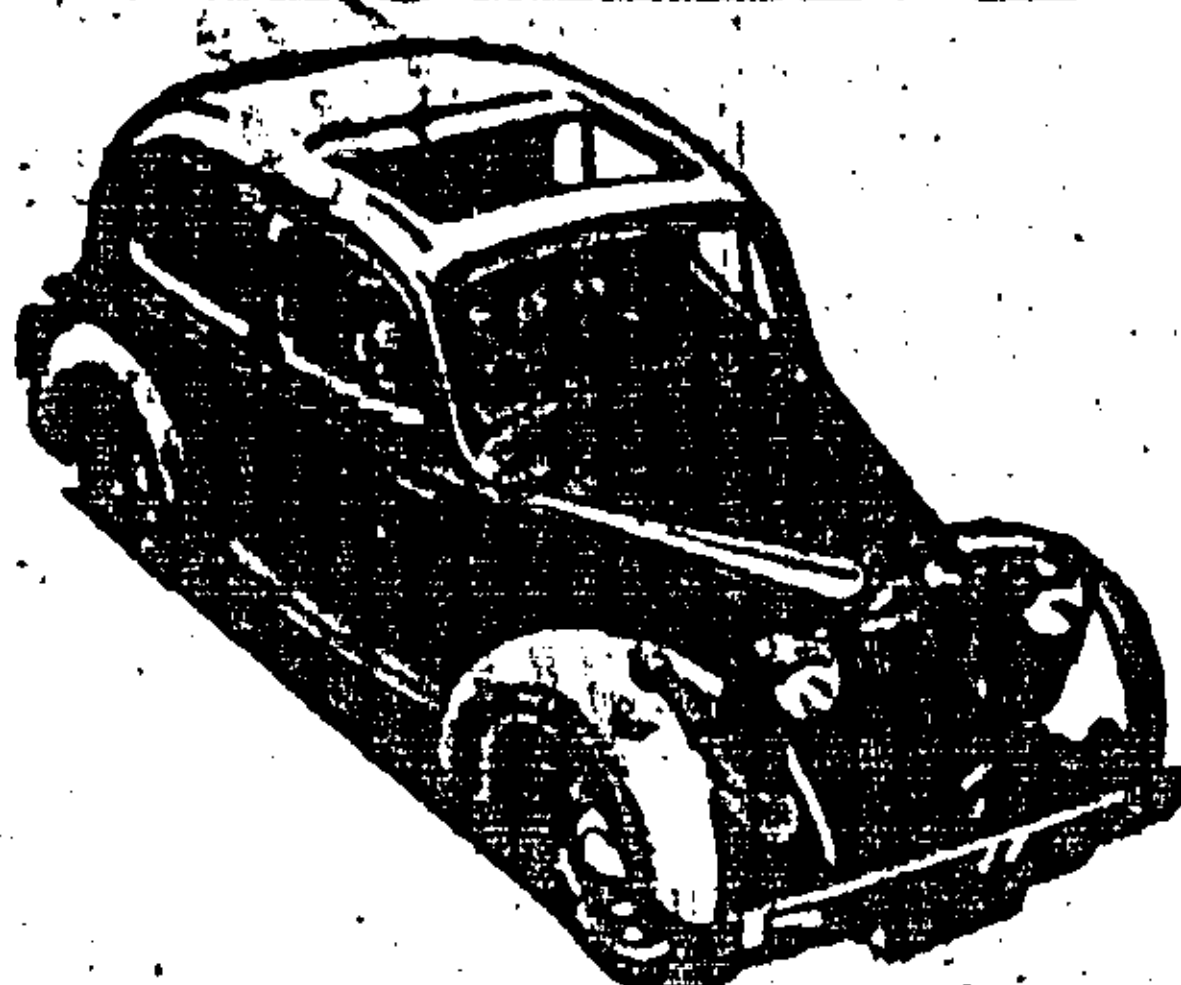
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Now listen to this:

A married man was asked: "Which would you prefer—a million pounds or twelve daughters?"

"Twelve daughters."

"Why would you prefer twelve daughters?"

"Well, you see, if I had a million pounds I should want two—three—ten, twenty million pounds. But twelve daughters—that would be enough."

That was humour! Wit and comedy can be cruel sometimes. Humour laughs with—never at—people.

The humorist sees both sides—and still likes people.

That makes him the most considerate husband of them all.

* * *

The wit smiles. Wistfully, if he is his own butt. With a sneer or a snigger when his rapier darts.

The comedian raises anything from a titter to a "belly-laugh." A little of the latter every day (like a good sweat) is excellent for the health.

The humorist as a rule gets a less noisy response—a smiling laugh.

* * *

And now a whisper to you men! Don't bother picking out a woman by her sense of humour.

Women have practically no sense of humour. And what they have is of a low order.

A little homely childish wit, some

elementary slapstick, a certain amount of sly, witty cattiness. That's about all.

If a woman giggles, it is with suppressed excitement.

If she laughs, it is to pretend she enjoys the things that make you laugh.

It's the one thing a woman can't do—use her sense of humour. If she's got one at all.

But of real humour she has practically none. Nor does she care. She gets on quite nicely without.

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"Girls tuck away your harsh and vivid make-up until next autumn."

And just to press her point, a funny thing happens when you go to her salon to buy a hat. In her charming manner, Miss Victor politely invites you to cleanse your face and put on fresh make-up which she provides gratis before you are shown a hat! That is, if you arrive wearing vivid scarlet or one of the deep wines which were so popular during the winter months.

If you act amazed, Miss Victor explains. "Otherwise, there is no use trying on the new models for your usual make-up will clash with them!"

BLENDING OF COLOURS KEYNOTE TO CHIC

For once we are getting away from a navy blue and white spring! This year there is an exquisite blending of muted fuchsias, dusty pinks and roses, and soft violet blues. Once in a while there is a smart account of cyclamen or a striking contrast with chartreuse. On a single bonnet, or in a single ensemble, one may wear as many as six shades of colour providing they blend nicely!

It seems, too, that flowers and veils in profusion will greet the Spring parade, and one of the most flattering notes in the season's style forecast are the pastel tinted



Alluringly feminine is this new cellophane turban by SALLY VICTOR. On its amethyst body are flowers in muted pinks, and a soft veil lends a flattering glow to the model's skin which boasts the most delicate make-up

WEEEY Kitty



Two World's Fairs in one year is like seeing a double feature with Clarke Gable in both films.

veils which swathe the chin and cheeks demurely, or cover the entire face, tied with a flare in back!

What fun we may have by pointing up our complexion and natural colouring with rouges and powders and lipsticks, so faces as fresh and delicate as flower petals will peek through these veils!

If you could see my desk and note the numerous new nail varnish shades, lipsticks and rouges I can. But remember, if you do which are the harbingers of Spring not follow my advice when you get and Summer, you will be convinced that Miss Victor knows what she loses its allure because the face is talking about. You must show a beneath it was neglected!

LOVELY SKIN PRIMARY IMPORTANCE

With this new swing in fashion it is more than ever important that your skin be smooth and flawless if you can keep it so. Whatever your skin or cosmetic problem, I stand ready to help you as much as I can. But remember, if you do not follow my advice when you get it, that fetching new chapeau will ed that Miss Victor knows what she loses its allure because the face is talking about. You must show a beneath it was neglected!

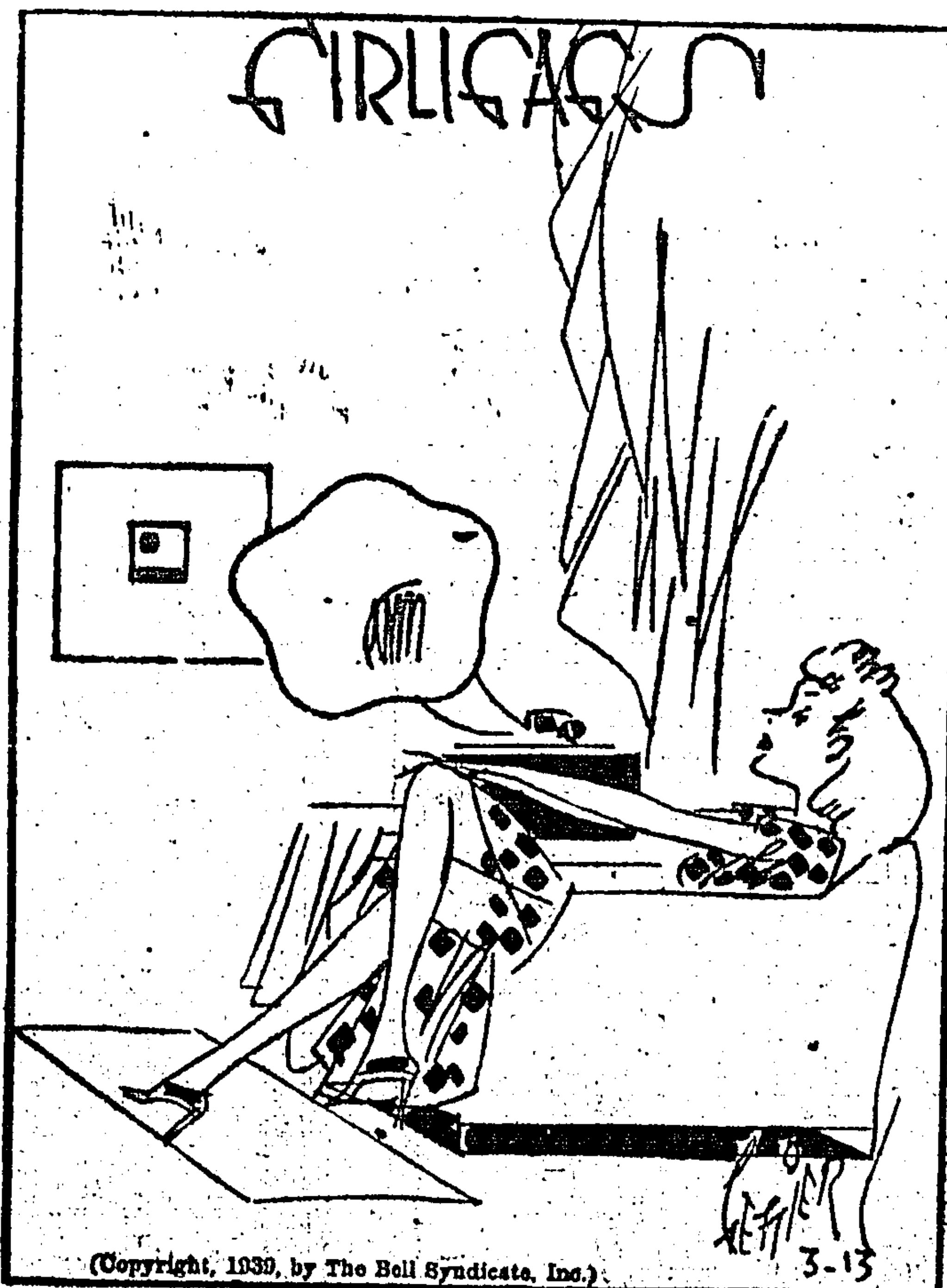
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What The Button-Front House Dress Stars Foretell

(By MARY BLAKE)

Through the consideration of people discharging financial or social obligations this day, a great many lives will be made brighter and much mental stress and strain will be relieved. There may be a general trend of thought relating to varied forms of entertainment, and pleasure is likely to receive more serious consideration than will business. Be careful what you say jokingly, for this is a day when, through your friends, their minds absorbed with many things, are apt to take your remarks literally. Any manifestation of selfishness, egotistical self-complacency or headstrongness, will be a disturbing factor, in what will otherwise turn out to be a very happy day. It might be good judgment to refuse to be drawn into any argument that is likely to terminate unpleasantly. remember, it takes two to make a quarrel, and squabbles seldom accomplish anything of a really constructive nature. Married and engaged couples, and those whose courtship gives promise of ending at the altar, should avoid being vague in any answer they might give this day.

If a woman and April 19 is your birthday, you are industrious, independent, outspoken and courageous. You ought to have an exceptional amount of vitality and a sunny disposition that should win your many friends to a high loyalty to you. You probably have a remarkable amount of self-control. Extravagance, particularly regarding personal adornments, might be your besetting weakness. A wave of prosperity may sweep away all of your troubles, and leave you feeling that you are sitting on the top of the world. Your pen, artistic touch, selling ability, musical or dramatic talent may win for you much praise and an income not to be despised. Your selection of a husband in all likelihood will be a wise one.

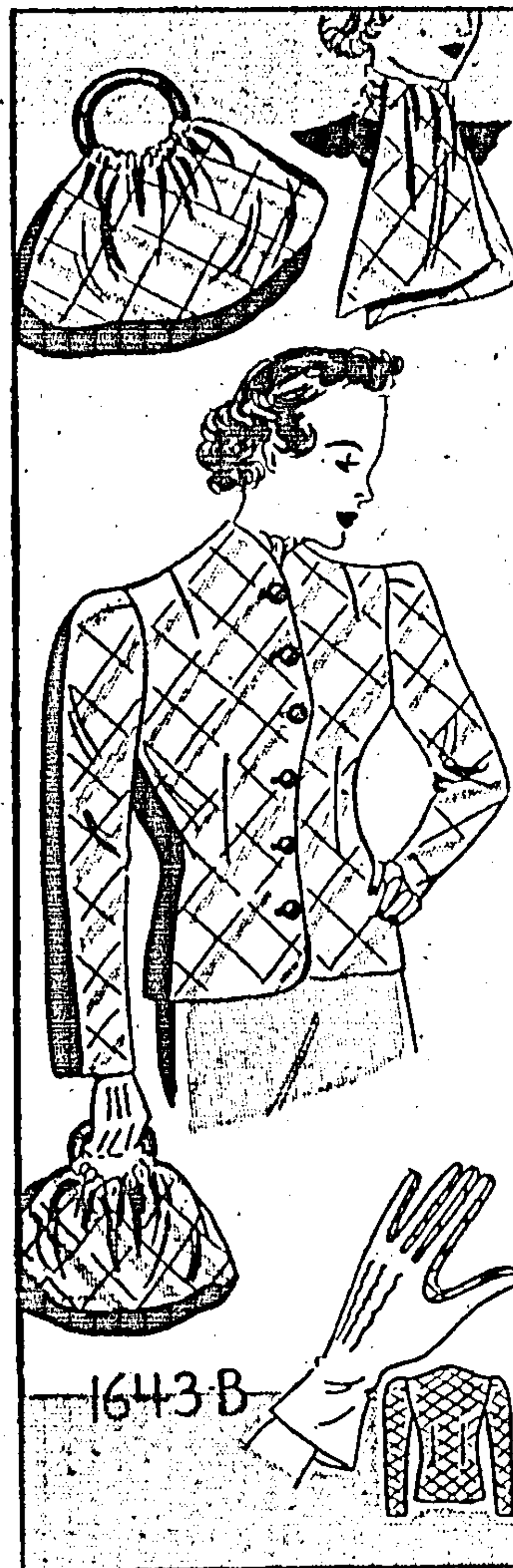
The child born on April 19, generally can be counted a winner. Some talent is likely to be developed which will bring distinction in this youngster's mature years.

Very practical and business-like, this design is ideal for house work and daytime wear. Simple as it is, this dress has excellent lines. The bodice is gathered at shoulders and waistline to give comfortable fit over bust. The skirt is cut to a high, unbelted waistline, in a way that you'll like for two reasons—it makes the dress easy to work in, with no tightness to catch you up short when you reach and stretch. Also it has a decidedly slenderizing effect. The v-neck is finished with a narrow collar, to make it more becoming.

You'll thoroughly enjoy having several dresses like this, in calico, gingham, linen and sports silks.



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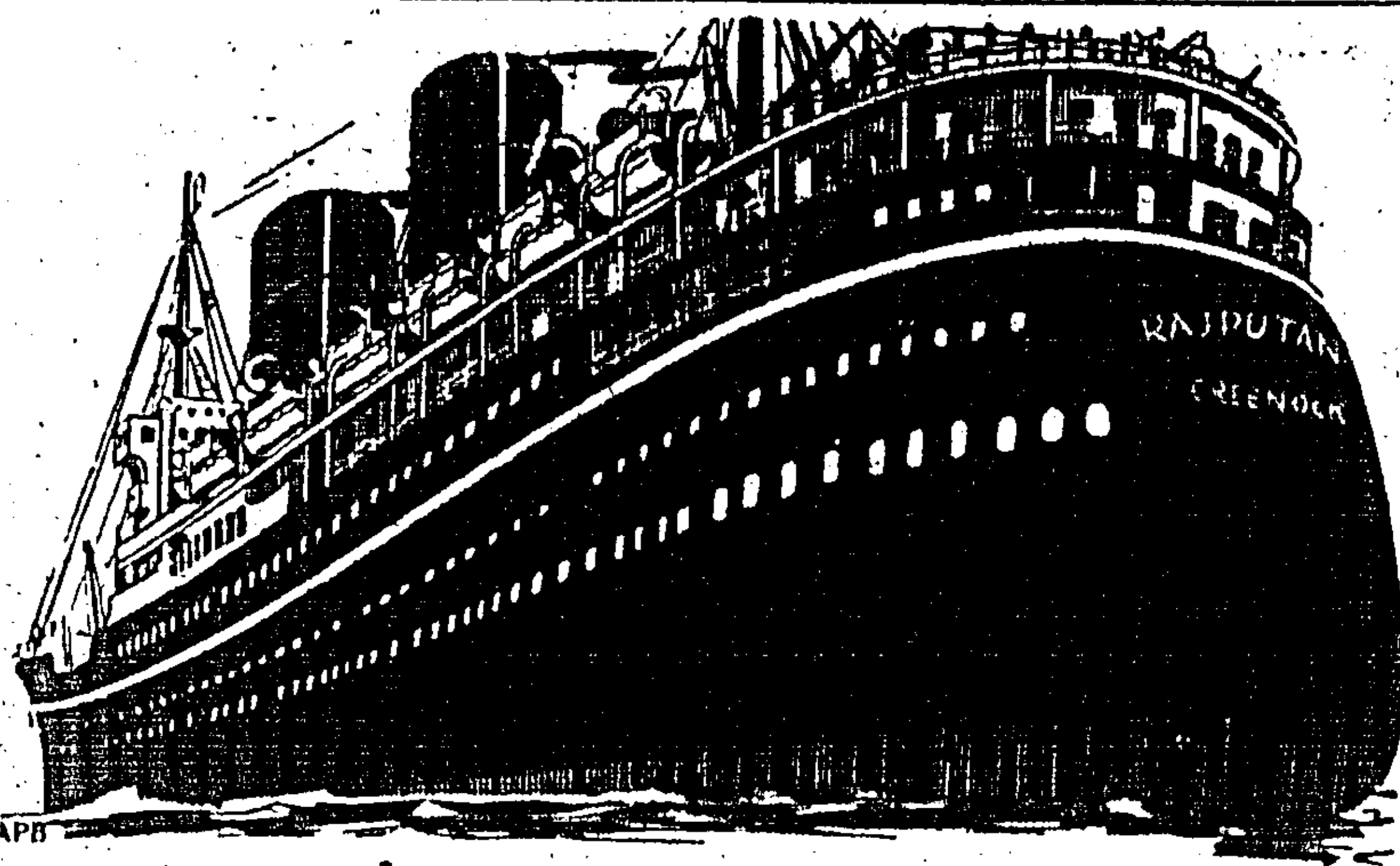
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Manila	Pres. Taft	April 19.
Shanghai and Swatow	Kiangsu	April 19.
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Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B. C. date, 1st April).	Emp. of Russia	April 30.
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Japan and Shanghai	Somali	April 20.
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Shanghai	Diomed	Apr. 19, 1.30 p.m.
Swatow and Chuanchow	Haitan	Apr. 19, 3 p.m.
Haiphong	Wingsang	Wed., Apr. 19, 3.00 p.m.
Amoy	Tsinan	Wed., Apr. 19, 3.30 p.m.
Parcels only for Japan	Kutsang	Apr. 19, 5 p.m.
THURSDAY		
Airmail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, and U.S.A. by the "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—due San Francisco 26th April.	Pan American Airways plane	Thursday, April 20.
Reg.,	Wed., Apr. 19, 5.00 p.m.	
Ord.,	Wed., Apr. 19, 5.30 p.m.	
G.P.O.		
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Ord.,	Thur., Apr. 20, 7.30 a.m.	
Haiphong	Canton	Thur., Apr. 20, 2.00 p.m.
Manila	Emp. of Russia	Thur., Apr. 20, 3.30 p.m.
Airmail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London 27th April.	Imperial Airways Plane	Thur., Apr. 20.
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Ord.,	Thur., Apr. 20, 5.30 p.m.	
G.P.O.		
Reg.,	Thur., Apr. 20, 5.00 p.m.	
Ord.,	Thur., Apr. 20, 7.00 p.m.	
Air Mail for Malaya, Java and Australia by Imperial Airways Direct Service—due Sydney, 29th April.	Imperial Airways Plane	Thur., Apr. 20.
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Shanghai	Bangalore	Apr. 20, 7 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Central and South America via San Francisco and (Papers only for Canada)—due San Francisco 11th May and Europe (except Great Britain and Eire) via Siberia.	President Taft	Thurs., Apr. 20.
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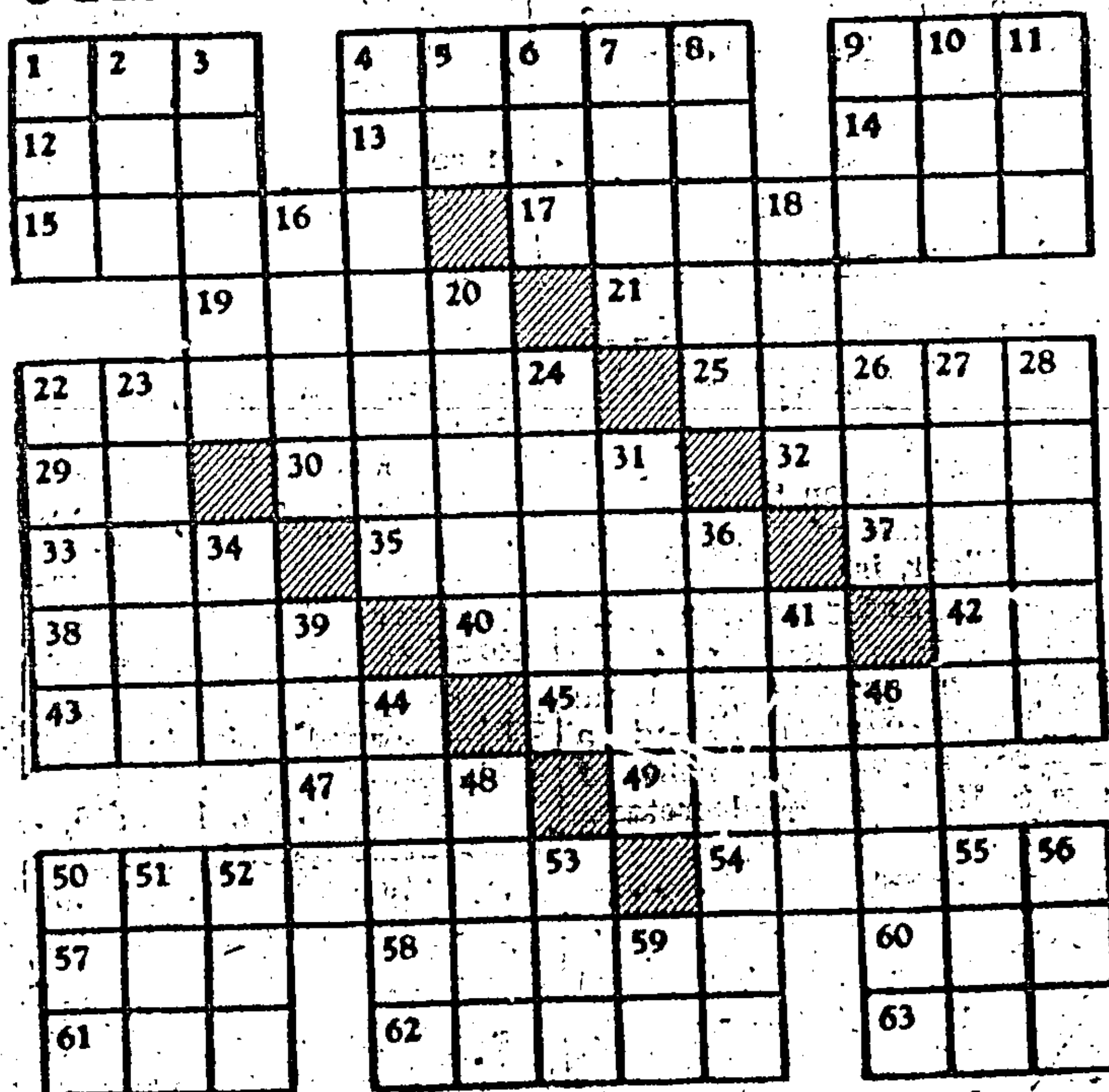
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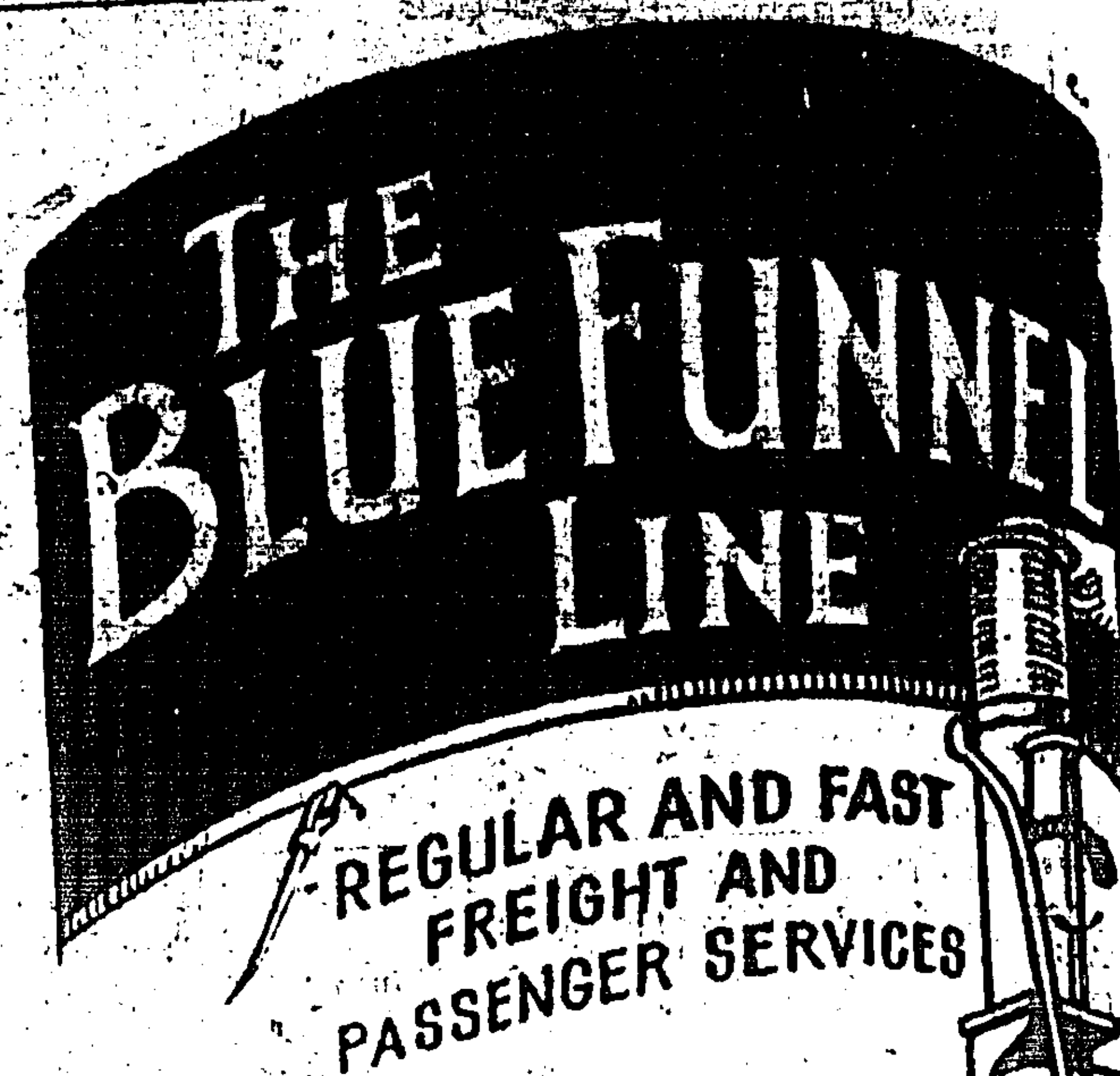
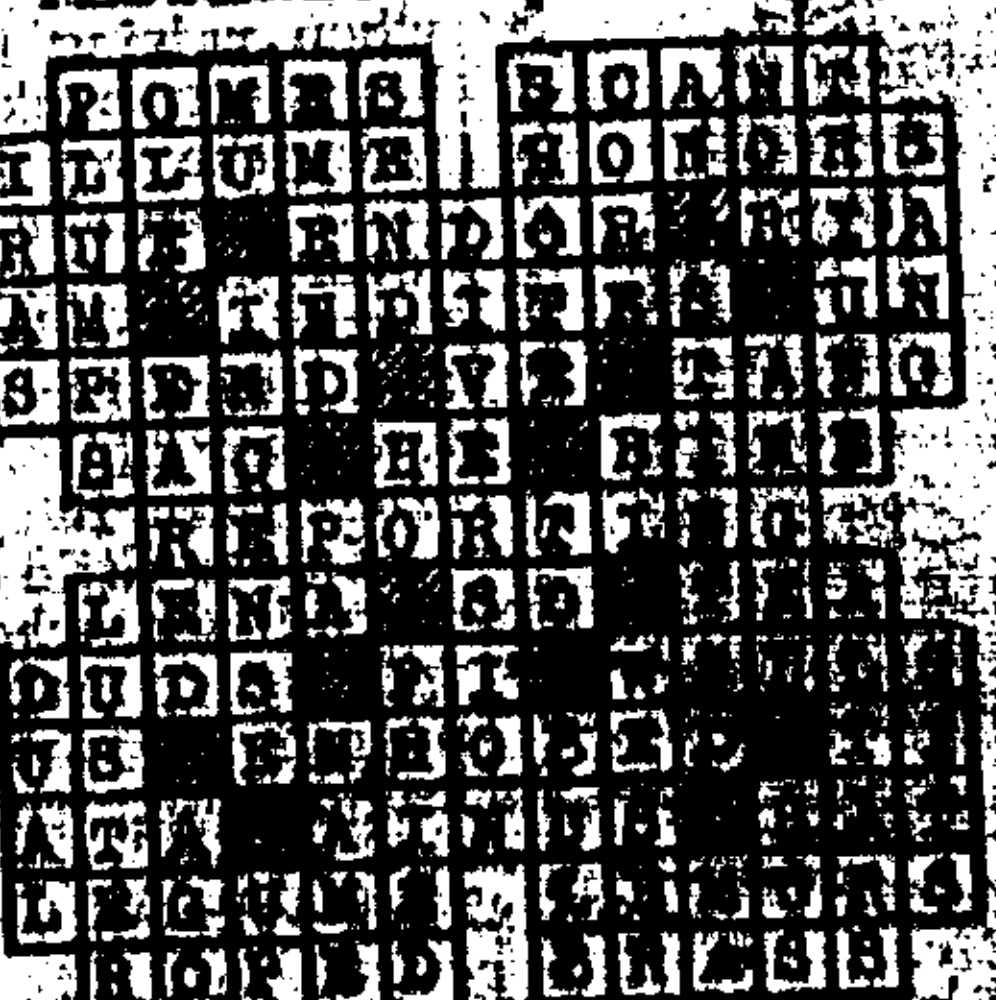
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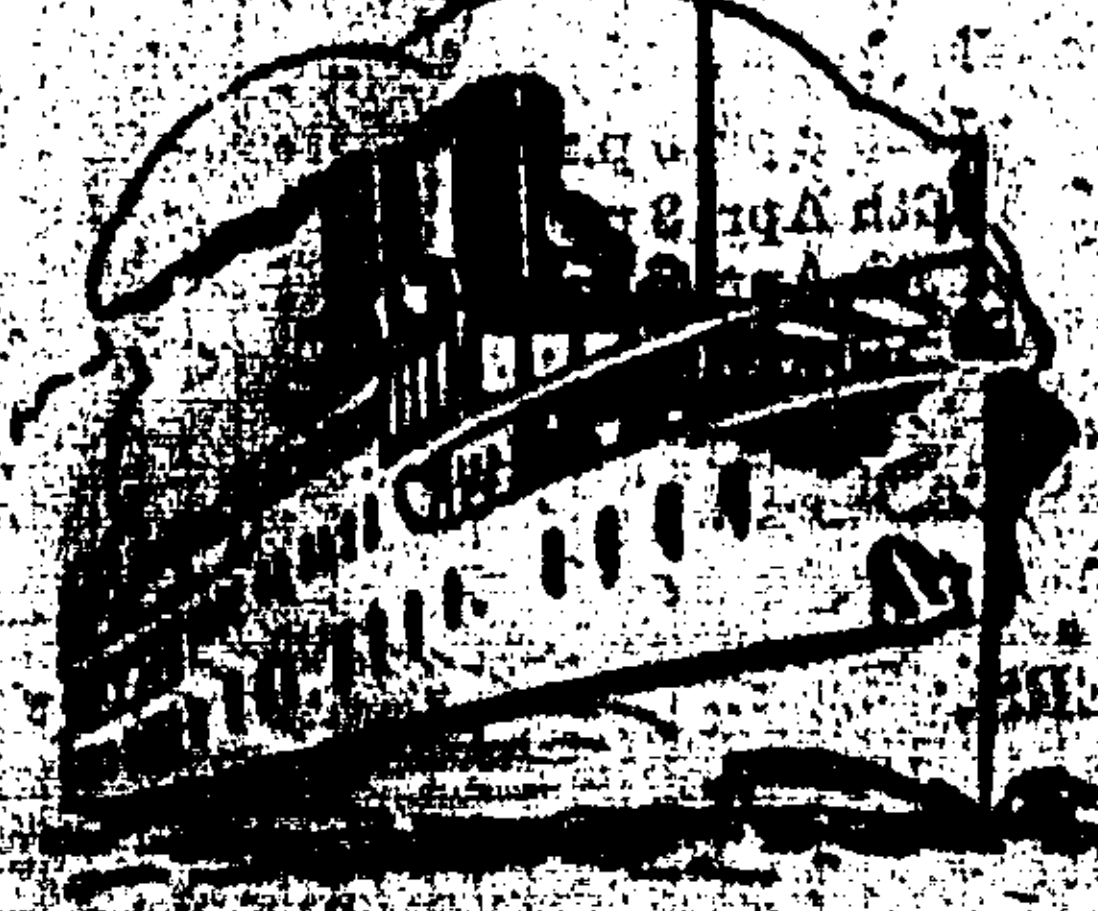
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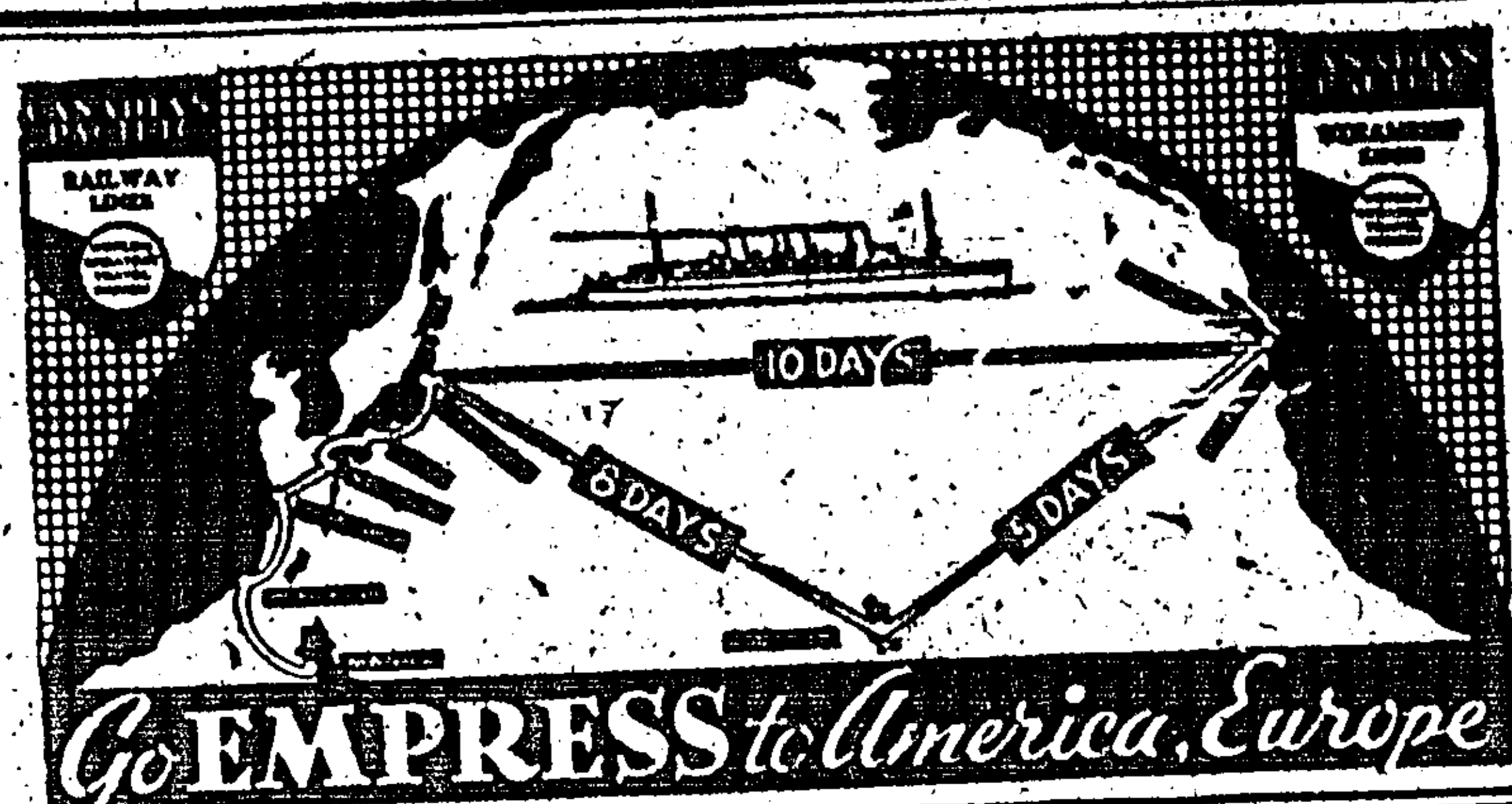
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The President of the Board of Trade announced in the Commons before the recess that Sir Frederick Leith-Ross, Chief Economic Adviser to the Government, would lead the mission which would consult with the Rumanian authorities for the purpose of devising means to promote Anglo-Rumanian trade.

Arrangements had been made for the mission to arrive in Rumania next Monday.

Sir Frederick Leith-Ross will be accompanied by officials of the Board of Trade, the Export Credits Guarantee Department, the Treasury, the Anglo-Rumanian Clearing Office and the Department of Overseas Trade. — British Wireless.

BIG AMERICAN SEAMEN'S STRIKE

New York, To-day.

Twenty-five oil tankers are reported to be tied up at the docks as result of a strike by the National Maritime Union.

The strike followed the collapse of negotiations between the Union and four large oil companies.

More tankers are being stopped as they dock here and at other ports.

Nearly 5,000 members of crews belonging to some 136 tankers, have been called out. — Reuter.

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TAIPO RADIO CASE EVIDENCE

The case in which Poon Fuk-san, wireless operator, and Chiu Yau-san, accountant, were charged with having maintained a radio station in contravention of the Tele-Communication Ordinance, at Taipo, was again before Mr. R. Edwards this morning.

First defendant pleaded guilty. Second defendant denied the charge.

Mr. J. Key, said that a short wave transmitter and receiver were found inside a cubicle. Poon admitted that he was the wireless operator. Files of telegrams were found in a desk.

Chiu arrived later at the house, and was stopped by Inspector Tuckett, who found messages in the basket carried by defendant. Defendant told Inspector Tuckett that he was going upstairs to see Poon.

Second defendant, Chiu, said he did not know anything about that messages. The radio apparatus was brought to Taipo from Shumchun during the fighting but was never used to send out messages.

Second defendant was discharged, while first defendant was ordered to sign a bond of \$1,500, and to appear at the Taipo Magistracy tomorrow at 11 a.m.

BOUND OVER

A 66-year-old widow, Kung Hang, of No. 571, Nathan Road, was placed on a \$10 bond by Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen this morning when summoned for bringing an un-registered mui-tsai into the Colony.

Inspector H. W. Fraser, said the girl, Fat-Ho, 15, was present to defendant for \$110 two years ago in country. The widow visited the S.G.A. on March 28 and applied for registration. They had arrived here from country on March 16. The girl had been well treated.

SWISS-SOVIET RELATIONS

Berne, To-day.

Switzerland will welcome the restoration of relations with the Soviet, declared the spokesman of the Federal Council in Parliament yesterday.

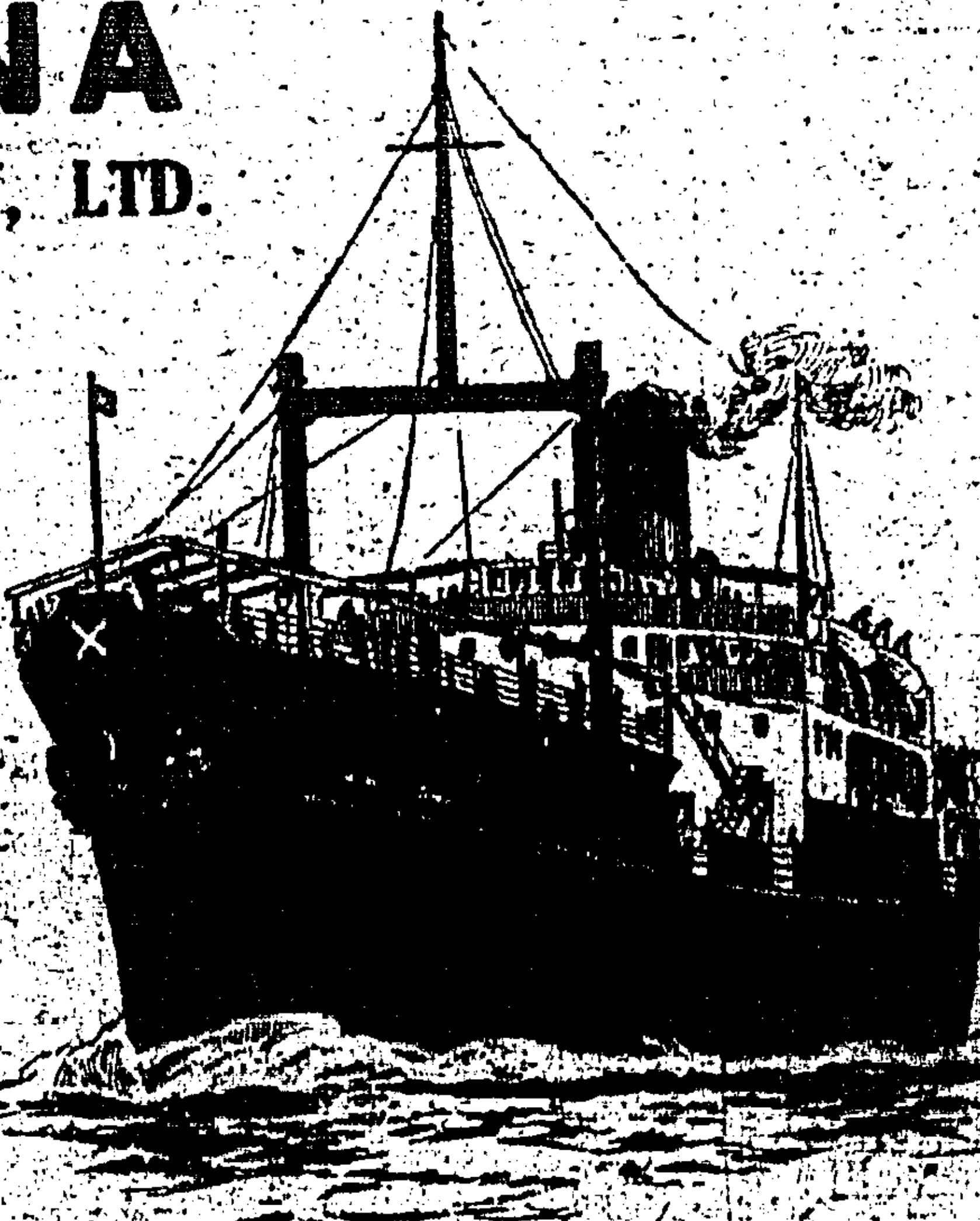
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BERLIN, APR. 11.
A TOTAL OF 600,000 SQUARE KILOMETRES OF ANTARCTIC IRELANDS HAVE BEEN PLACED UNDER THE SWASTIKA FLAG OF GERMANY BY CAPT. RITSCHER'S POLAR EXPEDITION, WHICH RETURNED TO CUXHAVEN TO-DAY ON BOARD THE VESSEL, SCHWABENLAND.

The territory in question is one huge bloc, bounded on the east and west by an ice plateau rising in a steep slope towards the South Pole and encompassing, in the south, very abrupt rocky declivities.

German airmen, launched in a plane from the Schwabenland carried out survey flights over this area and landed on the ice-lands. At the furthest points of the explored territory, they staked swastika flags and established the Reich's sovereignty.

Biologist Barklay made investigations on the spot into the amount of plankton in the Antarctic waters, with the object of estimating possibilities for whale-hunting.

Capt. Ritscher's expedition was organised by the "Society for German Exploration" under the auspices of Fieldmarshal Hermann Goering, Reich's Air Minister and Director of the Four-Year Plan.

The leader of the venture is an experienced explorer, being one of the survivors of the German expedition to Spitzbergen.—Havas.

PRINCESSES SEE CHILDREN'S HOUR BROADCAST

Princess Margaret and Princess Elizabeth sat in the balcony of a studio at Broadcasting House recently with the King and Queen, watching a Children's Hour programme.

The Princesses are regular listeners to the Children's Hour and had asked to see a "Toy Town" broadcast in the studio. Accordingly the King and Queen took them on a surprise visit to Broadcasting House.

The Royal party entered the small balcony of the basement studio. BB soon after a Toy Town story dealing with the "Disgraceful Business at Mrs. Goose's" had started. Mary O'Farrell, who played Mrs. Goose, was just speaking the line, "This is a great honour, your Worship."

The broadcast continued without interruption, those artists who were seated round the studio rising to their feet. The Princesses were highly amused at the quavering voice of Larry the Lamb, played by Ewart Scott, and the guttural English of Dennis the Dachshund, otherwise Norman Shelley.

PRINCESS THRILLED

Princess Margaret, enthralled, hung on to the brass rail and leaned her head over, gazing intently into the studio. Princess Elizabeth sat demurely back.

At the end of the "Toy Town" adventure her Majesty smiled when Mr. W. E. Davies announced that a record called "The Queen's Jig" was to be played. Miss May Jenkin, who is in charge of the Children's Hour during the absence on sick leave of Mr. Derek McCulloch, then presented the Princesses with special copies of the "Toy Town" book.

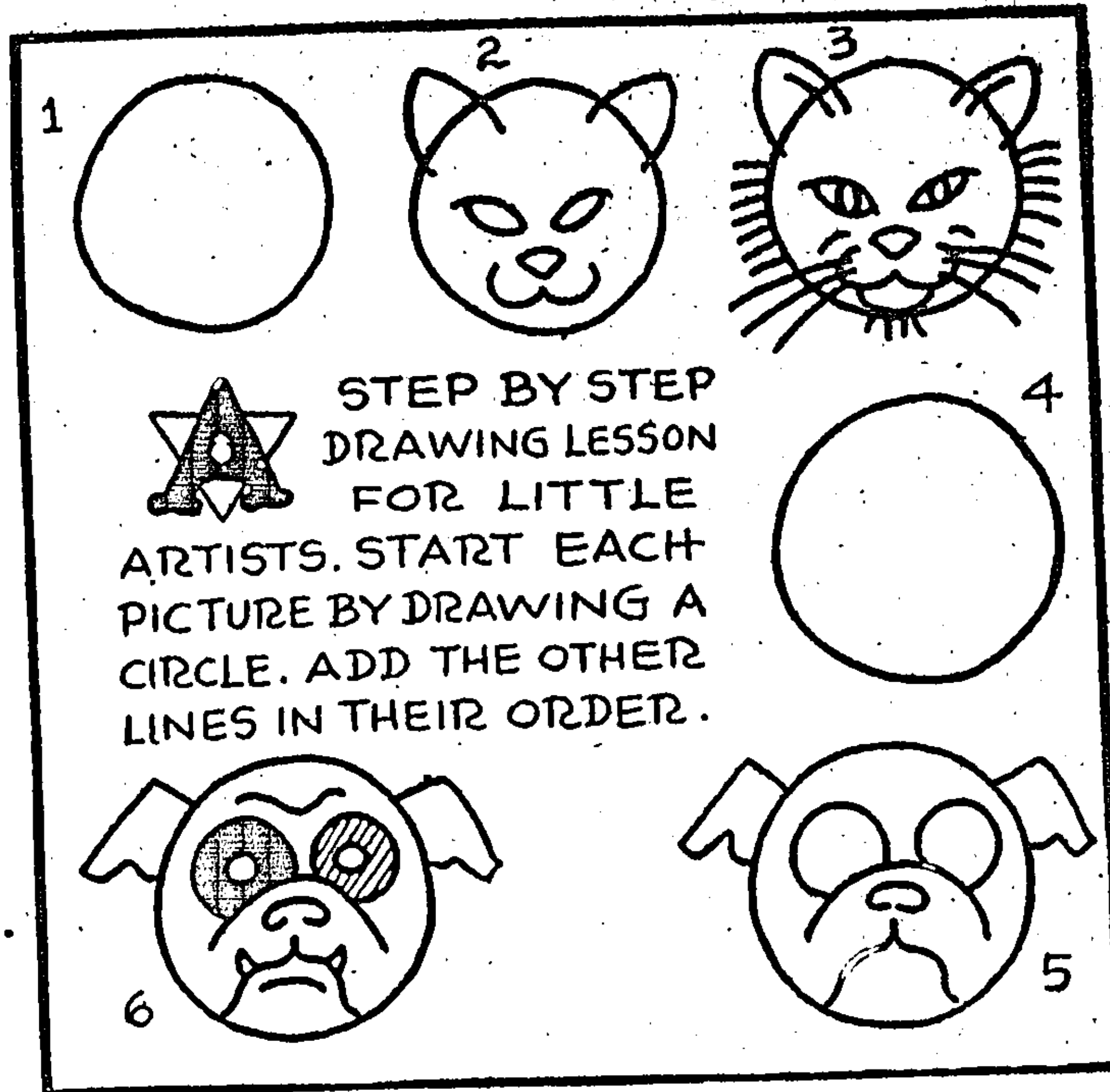
The Royal party arrived at Broadcasting House soon after 4 o'clock and the visit lasted nearly two hours. The Queen was wearing a parma-violet two-piece suit and the Princesses were in dove-gray coats with grey berets.

RECORD OF CONVERSATION

In the entrance hall they were met by Mr. R. C. Norman, chairman of the Board of Governors, and Mr. F. W. Ogilvie, the Director-General. Mr. Ogilvie, Sir Cecil Graves, Deputy Director-General, and Mr. H. Bishop, Assistant Controller of Engineering, acted as guides during a general tour of the building.

In one of the new studios on the fourth floor a record was made of the general conversation, in which their Majesties and the Princesses joined. Later the party took tea in the Director-General's office, where they listened

CHILDREN'S PUZZLE



Answer to yesterday's puzzle:

1	12	14	7
4	15	9	6
13	2	8	11
10	5	3	10

PUBLIC OPINION IN U.S. AGAINST GERMANY

New York, Apr. 12.

The latest poll taken by the Institute of Public Opinion shows an increase in the number of American citizens in favour of a boycott on German products.

Asked whether "you would join a national movement to stop the purchase of German goods" 65 per cent. replied in the affirmative and 35 per cent. refused.

When the same question was put in October last year 56 per cent. declared in favour of such a boycott, while in December 1938 the percentage went up to 61.

Asked whether they were in favour of the surtax recently placed on the import of German goods into this country, 78 per cent. replied in the affirmative.—Havas.

SCHUSCHNIGG MAY GO TO SANATORIUM

Dr. Schuschnigg, the former Austrian Chancellor, who has been ill with influenza and is still in the headquarters of the secret police in Vienna, may be allowed to go to a sanatorium.

His wife, formerly Countess Fugger-Czernin, visited Herr Buerckels, Commissioner for Austria, and pleaded with him that her husband's state of health made it absolutely necessary for him to receive the best treatment in more comfortable and agreeable conditions than are possible at the secret police headquarters, formerly the Hotel Metropole.

He occupies two rooms on the floor there with grated windows. It is not likely that he will remain in Austria, but will probably go to a sanatorium in the neighbourhood of Wiesbaden. The details of his removal have not been arranged.

to a reproduction on loud-speakers of the conversation. Miss Margery Fry and Dr. J. J. Mallon, E.B.O. Governors, Mrs. F. W. Ogilvie, Mr. B. E. Nicolls, Controller of Programmes, Sir Stephen Tallents, Controller of Public Relations, and Mr. T. Lochhead, Controller of Administration, were presented to their Majesties.

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LOCAL INTERNATIONAL HOCKEY

Splendid Game On Tap

England To Meet India In Remaining Semi-Final

FURTHER POSTPONEMENTS

New York, To-day.

Rain again interfered with the Baseball Leagues' games.

In the American League, the games between Boston and New York, Washington and Philadelphia and Cleveland and St. Louis, were postponed, while in the National League the Cincinnati and Chicago and Philadelphia and Boston games were also postponed for the same reason.

The following were the results of games played yesterday:—

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Chicago	1	7	1
Detroit	6	12	0

NATIONAL LEAGUE

St. Louis	3	9	0
Pittsburgh	2	9	1

New York	7	13	0
Bonura hit a home run.			
Brooklyn	3	9	2
Camilli homered.			

— Reuter.

BASEBALL MEETING

At a baseball meeting yesterday Major V. Duclos was re-elected President.

Other offices elected included.— Secretary and Officer for Public Relations; Bill Smith; Co-Managers; Messrs. J. Molthen and E. Hearther.

HOME RUGBY

London, To-day.—In the Rugby League, Oldham beat Halifax by 14—2.—Reuter.

India's All-Interport Forward-Line

In view of the fact that Portugal and Ireland played their semi-final match last Wednesday, only one game will be played this afternoon in the local International Hockey Tournament when India and England meet at 5.15 on the Navy Ground, King's Park, to decide who will meet Portugal on Sunday in the final.

By their display last week, England have raised their stock considerably. On that occasion they were opposed to a more than

useful Scots team, which, although holding them to the odd goal in seven, were outplayed for most of the game.

England's team is solid all-round. In Lieut. Hook, their centre-half and skipper, they have one of the finest defenders in the Colony. He sets an inspiring example to the men under him and is a glutton for work.

In attack, England is also well served. S. A. Fowler, Lt. Gemmel, G. H. Fowler and Bdr. Marshall all proved themselves as a combination against Scotland and are individually aggressive and accurate in the circle.

India, who are favoured in many quarters to win the tournament, have a fine all-round team which was not extended sufficiently last week to allow an estimate of their capabilities to be really gauged.

One Change

There will be one change in the team which did service against China, Gurbachan Singh, former Colony centre-forward, replacing Shah Wali on the right-wing.

With a forward-line which also includes such seasoned players as Pyara Singh, Lieut. Pritam Nath, Nerain Singh and Partaub Singh, it may be taken for granted that the opposition defence will be in for a harrassing time.

All four of the last-mentioned players, represented the Colony in the last Interport. against Macao, while as already stated, G. Singh has been capped before.

Whichever side wins this afternoon, it should be a very good game and well worth watching.

Teams:—

India: Sen Gupta; Gasan Singh and Datta Ram; Duda Ram, Hassan and Malik; Gurbachan Singh, Pyara Singh, Lieut. Pritam Nath, Nerain Singh and Partaub Singh.

England: Pte. Osman (R.A.O.C.); V. C. Bond (Club) and L/Bdr. Carter (R.A.); Bdr. Dilnot (R.A.), Lieut. Hook (R.A.) (Captain) and E. Fowler (C.B.A.); S. A. Fowler (Club), E. R. A. Gemmel (R. Navy), G. H. Fowler (Club), Bdr. Marshall (R.A.) and L/Cpl. Dunne (Middlesex).

SOCCER

JUNIOR REST XI

The following have been selected to represent the Junior Divisions of the Hong Kong Football League against the Second Division Champions (South China) at Caroline Hill on Sunday, April 23, at 3 p.m.

Salter (Royal Scots); Lo Sha-kar (Kwong Wah) and Heap (Stonecutters); Rides (Ordinance), Shaw (Royal Engineers) (Capt.), Simmonds (Royal Scots); Calvert (5th A.A. Regt. Royal Artillery), Keane (Royal Scots), Munton (Ordinance), Pelham (Royal Engineers) and Duffield (Ordinance). Reserves:—Corbin (Royal Artillery).

HOME RACING

LILLIBULLERO'S VICTORY IN METROPOLITAN

London, To-day. — Mr. James de Rothschild's Lillibullero, starting at 100/6 and carrying bottom weight, ridden by Lynch, won a great race in the Metropolitan over two miles, beating Miss Dorothy Paget's Foxchase (100/7) ridden by Sibbritt by three lengths with Mr. H. S. Lester's Holne Chase (100/6) ridden by Gordon Richards, a length and a half away, third.

The time was 4 minutes, 0.4 seconds.

Lillibullero was last at the final turn but finished strongly on the outside.

Gyppo, ridden by Sirett, an 11/2 favourite, was not in the first 10, while Sir Peter, joint second favourite, was last of 13 runners. The weather was fine and the going good.—Reuter.

CITY AND SUBURBAN

London, To-day.—There were two changes in the list of probable starters for the City and Suburban Stakes run yesterday at Epsom over a course of 1-1/4 miles.

Lynch took over Esquemeling from Richardson, while Sibbritt was to ride Over 11 whose jockey had not previously been appointed.—Reuter.

SIGNAL LIGHT'S CONDITION

London, To-day.—Signal Light, winner of the Craven Stakes at Newmarket last week and favourite for the 2,000 Guineas, is reported to be suffering from shoulder trouble and is undergoing veterinary treatment.

Later.

Signal Light has improved and is a likely starter for the 2,000 Guineas, whereas its stable companion, Foxbrough is very unlikely to start.—Reuter.

S. A. Rugby Team's Success

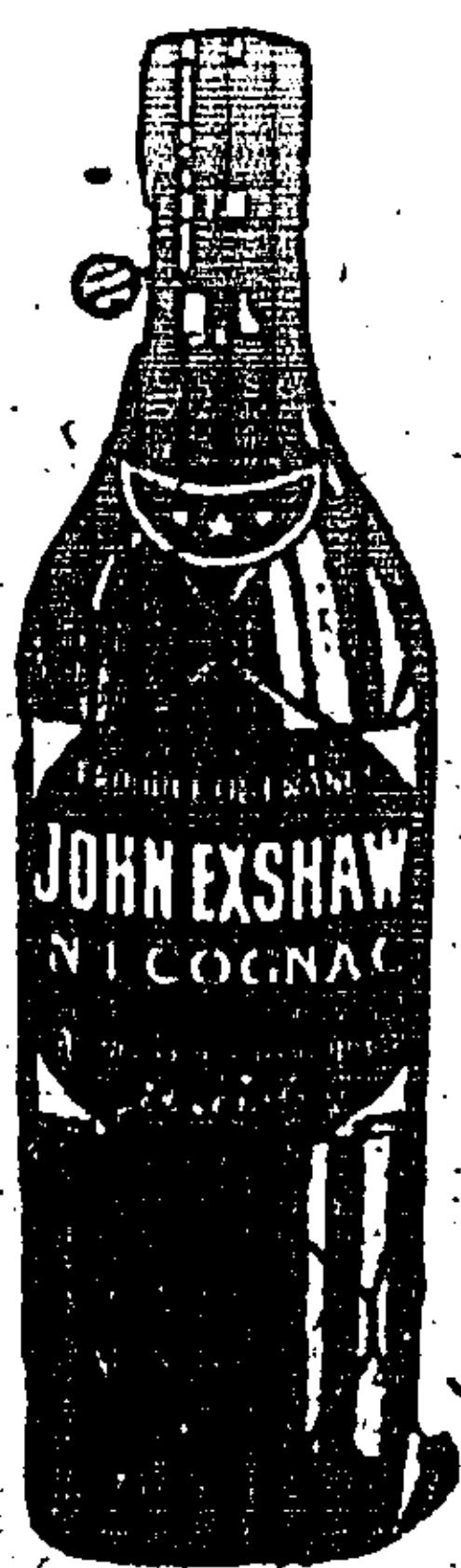
Stuttgart, To-day.

A South African rugby team, composed of Dominions students studying at English universities, scored the second victory of their tour yesterday when they defeated Wuertemberg by 20 points to 4.—Trans-Ocean.

Guy (Royal Artillery) and Williamson (Royal Scots).

Jerseys, knickers and stockings will be supplied by the Association and the players are to report to Mr. C. Guingam, at the pavilion not later than 2.30 p.m.

The game will be of 70 minutes duration and will be followed by the game between First Division champions (Navy or South China "A") and the Manila Interport selection.



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COLONY TENNIS

WORST STAND COURT MATCH
IN CURRENT TOURNAMENT*Spectators Leave Long Before Finish*S.A. RUMJAHN HAS
EASY PASSAGE
INTO SEMI-FINAL

(By "ADREM")

Quarter-Final

S. A. Rumjahn beat Lim Thian-tet 6-4, 6-2.

To say that yesterday's match on the Stand Court was one of the worst ever seen in this stage of the Open Tennis Tournament; would not be putting it too harshly.

Long before the second set finished, the hitherto well-packed stand started to empty as disgruntled tennis fans went away in disgust.

Lim was disappointing. Whether or not he was still feeling the effects of the illness that caused a postponement of the game from last week I don't know but he was certainly not a shadow of the man who beat Teddy Fincher.

He did pull off some nice strokes and, at times, he managed to sustain a rally long enough and maintain accuracy sufficient to win a stroke but for the most part the rallies were short and not even sweet!

Rumjahn after playing himself in—and going on his opponent's reputation he went to considerable pains to do this—more or less did as he liked. In the final stages of second set when he was driving fiercely, some of his strokes were unstoppable.

Lim was put off as much as anything, I think, by Rumjahn's slice on the backhand. This stroke kept very low and slithered along the ground at a great pace. The University player usually returned it miles over the baseline.

Lim's service, which has hitherto revealed itself to be potent enough, yesterday was pathetic. I have rarely seen so many doubles served in the course of a match.

It was perhaps fitting and consistent with the calibre of Lim's tennis generally, that the most disappointing match of the tournament to date should finish up on Lim's service with a double-fault.

THE PLAY

Rumjahn won the first two games of the first set although he had to fight hard for the second. Lim then won the next three in a row and, in the process, revealed his best form of the day. His best scoring stroke was an accurate forehand drive to the backhand sideline which rarely failed to score outright.

Rumjahn tightened up his game at this stage, took the lead at 4-3 and 5-3 and then started to open up a bit. His drives were hit far more firmly and he generally tried to speed matters up.

This type of play Lim appeared to like as he won the game with the utmost ease.

Back went Rumjahn to his old retrieve-everything-safety-first tactics and won the set at 6-4.

When Lim won the first game of the second set to love, the specta-

Tennis
Results

Open Singles

S. A. Rumjahn beat Lim Thiam Tet, 6-4, 6-2. (Fourth Round).

Club Championship

E. E. Story beat J. L. C. Pearce, 6-1, 3-6, 6-3.

Club Handicap Singles

V. R. Gordon (-3.6) beat C. M. Stark (+3.6) 6-0, 6-2.

Club Handicap Doubles

W. Sander and T. J. Gould (-15) beat J. Thomson and R. G. Biesel (-1.6), 6-4, 1-6, 6-3.

tors looked for the anticipated revival. This effort only flattered to deceive, however, and Rumjahn won the set at 6-2 with the minimum inconvenience.

Lim soon gave up the ghost and made little or no effort near the end.

K.C.C. BOWLS TEAM

The following will represent K.C.C. against a combined K.D.R.C. and I.R.C. team in a friendly bowls match at K.C.C. on Saturday:

F. Goodwin (skip), H. Nish, A. C. Trible and V. C. Labrum.
E. C. Fincher (skip), H. Overy, T. A. Madar and J. Fraser.
E. Kern (skip), W. Hyde, W. Mulcahy and Geo. Lee.

T. W. Carr (skip), W. G. Bowden, W. Naef and F. A. Fabel.
J. Hyde (skip), R. Meadows, F. E. Nash and E. A. Perry.
W. W. Hirst (skip), A. Madar, P. A. Murphy and W. H. Hobbs.
Reserves:—W. Paterson, W. Nash, T. B. M. Connolly and H. F. Shields.

RHODE ISLAND
BOXING BOUT

Rhode Island, To-day. — Joey Archibald is to defend his world feather-weight boxing championship against Leo Rodak, of Chicago in a 15-round contest.

This will be the first world championship ever held at Rhode Island and betting is about even. —Reuter.

COLONY TENNIS

First
Semi-Final
To-Day

The first semi-final in the current open tennis tournament will be held on the Stand Court of the Hong Kong Cricket Club this afternoon over five sets.

The contestants will be S. A. and H. D. Rumjahn and Lee Yue-wing and Ho Ka-lau.

The last-named pair have been well in the public eye this year by virtue of two three-set struggles with W. A. H. Duff and T. A. Pearce.

On both occasions they revealed their capabilities as defensive players of high merit and their fine performance in the second match, when they showed far more aggression than it was thought they were equipped to produce, marks them as an extremely difficult pair to beat.

If they strike form early they might conceivably manage to wear their opponents down over the whole distance.

PROGRAMME

Open Doubles (Semi-Final)

S. A. Rumjahn and H. D. Rumjahn v Lee Yue Wing and Ho Ka Lau (stand court).

Club Mixed Doubles

W. Sander and Miss A. Taylor (-15) v T. J. Gould and Mrs. Whyte Smith (-2.6) (4).
T. C. Monaghan and V. E. Gordon (-3.6) v J. W. Mayhew and L. Brown (-1.6) (3).

KOWLOON TONG'S TEAM

The following will represent Kowloon Tong Club against Kowloon Football Club on Saturday at K.F.C.

C. Mose, J. Tang, J. L. Stephens, and A. Spary (Skip).
A. E. Castro, H. Y. Hau, Y. Abbas, and A. H. Basto (Skip).
T. M. Gregory, T. K. Lim, J. N. Wong, and H. Gittins (Skip).

LOCAL
DARTS
LEAGUE

Imperial "A" lead R.A.O.B. "A" by three points in the H.B. Darts League, latest results of which are given below together with the League Table to date:

R.A.O.B. "A"	v	R.A.O.B. "B"	
Pringle	2	Orrom	1
Waterworth	2	Davis	0
Carter	1	Lumly	2
Redman	2	Wood	0
Curd	0	Little	2

Points	7	Points	5
Highest finish	3	Highest finish	2
Highest score	133	Highest score	133

Imperial "A"	v	Embassy	
Howe	2	Clarke	0
Gribble	0	Smith	2
Coomer	2	Baxter	1
Whitehouse	1	Robson	2
Pearson	2	Baulich	0

Points	7	Points	5
Highest finish	3	Highest finish	2
Highest score	133	Highest score	133

Embassy	v	Imperial "A"	
Smith	1	Howe	2
Baxter	2	Pearson	1
Robson	2	Gribble	1
Clarke	2	Coomer	1
Baulich	1	Whitehouse	2

Points	8	Points	7
Highest finish	3	Highest finish	2
Highest score	100	Highest score	100

R.A.O.B. "B"	v	R.A.O.B. "A"	
Carter	1	Pringle	2
Davis	0	Funnell	2
Orrom	1	Redman	2
Lumly	2	Curd	1
Little	1	Waterworth	2

Points	5	Points	9
Highest finish	1	Highest finish	4
Highest score	128	Highest score	128

League Table To Date	P.	W.	L.	Pts.
Imperial "A"	10	33	17	33
R.A.O.B. "A"	10	29	21	29
M.T.B. "B"	10	24	26	24
M.T.B. "A"	7	17	18	17
Embassy	6	14	16	14
Imperial "B"	7	14	21	14
R.A.O.B. "B"	8	14	26	14
	58	145	145	145

C.S.C.C. BOWLS TEAM

The following have been selected to represent C.S.C.C. in a friendly game of bowls against P.R.C. on their ground at 3 p.m., 22nd, April, 1939.

A. Steven, T. Sudden, C. Strange, and S. Eccleshal (Skip).
L. Whant, D. Crawley, H. Strange, J. Hollidge (Skip).
M. E. Purvis, J. Shephard, W. Burling, and M. Rukeson (Skip).
E. Kerman, J. Carr, A. B. Allan, and W. Hillyer (Skip).
F. Austin, F. Harper, R. B. Wood, and W. J. Bagley (Skip).
R. R. Davies, L. Weeks, L. Collyer, and J. Deakin (Skip).



The Macao and Hong Kong Interport Soccer team photographed before their game at Macao last Sunday. Hong Kong by two goals to nil, both scored by Hossack.

F.A. CUP SEMI-FINAL

Portsmouth's Persistency Rewarded

Huddersfield's Passive Tactics Fail To Pay

They Say--

After he had lost three fights off the reel in the States, I urged Farr to come home and give himself a break. One fight in England—and a winning one at that—will do wonders to him, replenish his self-confidence, and what is more, put him right once again in American eyes.—Len Harvey.

If ever a boxer has earned a rest Boon is the man, and eager though he always is to step into the ring, I think he should be kept from doing so until he has recovered completely from his injuries, and has the confidence of knowing that they will not recur directly he goes into action again. — Joe Bromley.

It is a belated but encouraging portent that high circles are beginning at any rate to realise that Rugby is drifting into a parlous condition; that the evolution of the game has not been proceeding in the right direction; that the Rugby League had perhaps something to their ideas after all when they seceded; and that a slightly modified laissez faire will no longer do.—A Dundee Courier writer.

As long as I am with Wolves our policy will remain the same — youth; faith in youth. Teach it, train it, guide its ideas—but give youth its head. I have been attacked about my system. Some have questioned its

ultimate efficiency. But there certainly is little for us to worry about just now. I have faith in my boys. I feel that they have faith in me.—Major Buckley.

COTTON HONOURED

Henry Cotton has been appointed to captain the British Ryder Cup team against America at Jacksonville, Florida, on November 18 and 19, and he is losing no time in making plans for Britain to regain the trophy.

Cotton's determination was expressive, as he commented to a reporter. "I suppose I am considered to have original ideas about many things, and I am already thinking of ways and means towards winning this game."

"It is a very useful thing that the question of captaincy has been settled so early, because it gives everyone a chance of working towards the end that we all have in view—regaining the Cup."

Commander R. C. T. Roe (secretary of the P.G.A.) will be team manager.

IMPORTANCE OF OCCASION CAUSES ERRATIC PLAY

Portsmouth 2 Huddersfield 1

Both Beasley and Barclay were announced as fit to play for Huddersfield against Portsmouth at Highbury, but McCall took Mill's place at inside-left. There was a boisterous wind which brought a few flakes of snow before the start.

However, brilliant sunshine flooded the ground when the players took the field in the presence of 55,000. Huddersfield wore red shirts and white shorts, and Portsmouth white shirts and dark blue shorts. Young won the toss to earn Huddersfield the benefit of the wind. McCall, Price, and Isaac led off with a Huddersfield raid, and long throws-in by Willingham maintained the early pressure.

The importance of the occasion caused each side to play rather wildly, but both outside-lefts, Parker and Beasley, kept their heads well. Portsmouth found the wind troublesome, and once Rochford wasted a free-kick by sending the ball into touch. Guthrie and Rochford cleared Huddersfield attacks with strong kicks, and then Worrall forced a corner at the other end. This Hesford caught beautifully, and Young prevented further trouble. Portsmouth became dangerous, thanks to a clever dribble by Barlow, which earned a free-kick when he was brought down. A chance fell to Barlow, but in his hurry he kicked wildly. Good work by Barclay raised Huddersfield cheers; but McCall could not overcome Morgan.

Then Barclay weaved his way down the middle of the field and presented Price with a great opportunity, but from point blank range Price shot straight at Walker, who clutched the ball in desperate fashion. This was a lucky escape for Portsmouth, and for a time their defence was shaky, with Guthrie a notable exception. Young's coolness was a priceless asset to Huddersfield.

MISPLACED PASSES

Most of Portsmouth's passes went sadly astray and their half-backs were kept going at full stretch. Long kicks down the middle to Anderson served Portsmouth no useful purpose as time after time Young's head bobbed up and nodded the ball away.

After twenty-three minutes Huddersfield deservedly took the lead. Barclay sent Beasley away and the winger cut through the opposition. He sent over a low centre and Barclay, timing it perfectly, volleyed the ball into the net with a perfect left-foot shot.

Portsmouth rallied, but Parker, Anderson, and Barlow wasted chances and Huddersfield resumed the pressure.

When Portsmouth were awarded a free-kick just in front of the penalty area Wharton could only drive the ball against Young, so thoroughly had Huddersfield covered their goal. Then came snow and rain in the faces of the Portsmouth team. Later, McCall had two chances for Huddersfield which he wasted. Portsmouth launched desperate attacks just before the interval and Barlow twice went near with headers.

Portsmouth took the initiative in the second half, and Anderson and Worrall threatened danger with an attack on the right. Anderson also made a praiseworthy effort to dribble round Young, but found the Huddersfield pivot his master. Portsmouth were still erratic. Then Beasley broke away from thirty yards, but with the Portsmouth goal at his mercy, he shot wide.

A GREAT RALLY

Portsmouth were too dainty in their methods, and Young, Hayes, and Mountford found little difficulty in

breaking up their close passing tactics. With Willingham and Boot shining at wing-half, Huddersfield, though facing more snow and sleet, held their own. McAlinden was not happy in the Portsmouth front line, and his inability to do himself justice affected the team's efficiency. Barclay cleverly intercepted a raid by Worrall, but Parker and Anderson threatened trouble to Huddersfield until they broke down before Young. Isaac was always a menace when given a chance on the Huddersfield right, and once he crashed the ball against the side net.

Quicker on the ball, Huddersfield worked splendidly together. For long periods Portsmouth maintained their attack, but Worrall alone seemed able to make much progress. Anderson still floundered against Young, who was playing one of the best games of his career. When Portsmouth at last forced a corner Barclay fastened on Hesford's clearance and set up a Huddersfield raid.

Young, Willingham, and Barclay were outstanding for Huddersfield, and none of them seemed capable of doing anything wrong. By far the best Portsmouth movement occurred when Parker burst down the middle, and Barlow gave Worrall a clever pass. Worrall drove fiercely, but Hesford made a grand save at full length.

Twelve minutes from the end Portsmouth equalised through Barlow. He tricked two men and then left Hesford completely beaten with a magnificent left-foot cross drive. Later, Hesford saved brilliantly from Worrall and McAlinden. Portsmouth were now all out for victory, and six minutes from the end they took the lead. Barlow and Parker passed perfectly, and Anderson was able to meet the ball with his left foot and shoot into the net.

Persistency and staying power enabled Portsmouth to snatch a dramatic win. They will now appear at Wembley for the third time in ten years. Huddersfield invited defeat by being content with their interval lead and ignoring attack after change of ends.

Portsmouth: Walker, Morgan, Rochford, Guthrie, Rowe, Wharton, Worrall, McAlinden, Anderson, Barlow, Parker.

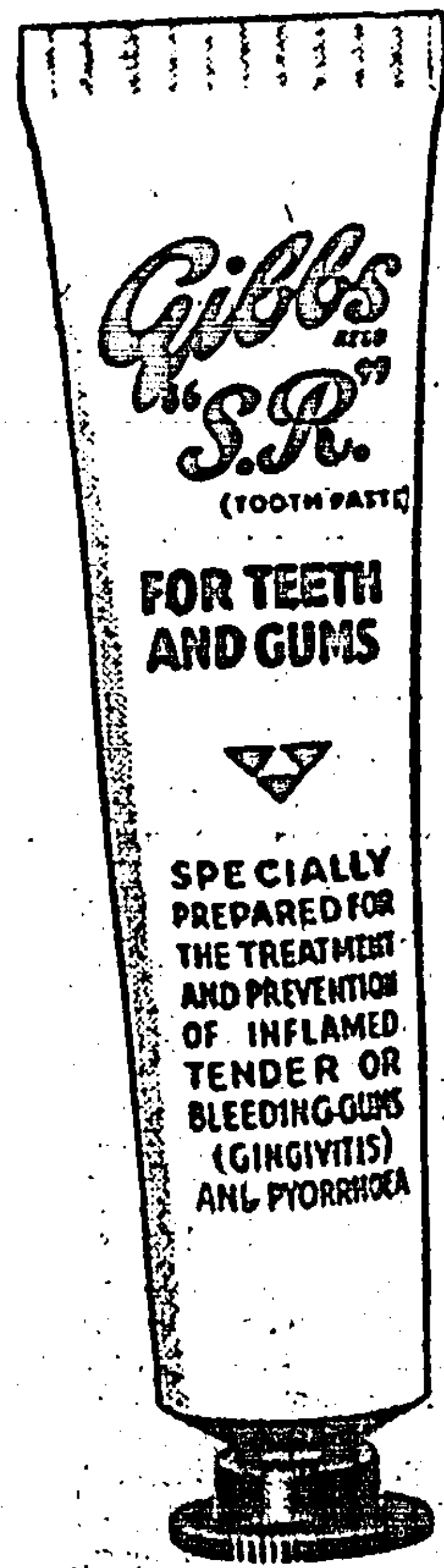
Huddersfield Town: Hesford, Hayes, Mountford, Willingham, Young, Root, Isaac, Barclay, Price, McCall, Beasley.

ENGLAND'S CONTINENTAL TOUR

Woodley, the Chelsea goalkeeper; Hapgood, Arsenal left back; and W. Hall, Tottenham Hotspur, inside forward, have been provisionally selected by the English Football Association to play for England during the close-season tour in Italy, Yugoslavia, and Rumania.

It has already been announced that four Wolverhampton players have been chosen for the trip—Morris, Galley, Cullis, and Maguire. Fenton, Middlesbrough, centre forward, has accepted an invitation to tour South Africa with the English Football Association team.

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The Thirteen-A-Side Suggestion Discussed

Taking Divots

By BEST BALL

One of the reasons for so many fluffed iron shots is that the player does not hit them decisively enough. This is due largely to the player's hesitancy in regard to his control over the shot. No doubt he may fully realize that to gain best results he should hit down hard but he flinches unconsciously over the task. Naturally an actual round of play is a poor place to try and overcome this hesitancy. Here oftentimes the player is intent on his score and he is apt to spare his stroke for the sake of greater accuracy.

In consideration of this angle, the player stands a better chance of improving his shotmaking if he will carry the issue to the practice fairway. Here, with no fear of a mounting score, he can hit down on the ball with the irons and hit hard, dispatching the ball as the club-head goes on through and takes turf. The fairway of a National Open tournament resembles a miniature battle insofar as cut turf is concerned and Johnny Revolta, above, shows how the divots are taken in the above illustration. A strong grip, as well as strong determination, is helpful in gaining a mastery over all golf shots. (Copyright 1938, The Bell Syndicate, Inc.)

Friday—Willie Turnesa.

GRAPHIC GOLF



Perry And Budge In Marathon

Los Angeles, April 4.—With the gallery of over 300 people as worn out with excitement as the players were with exertion, a gruelling five-set match, which lasted three hours, was called off when it was seen that the match obviously could not be won by either side with any margin of skill.

The match was between Fred Perry and Donald Budge and Ellsworth Vines and Keith Gledhill. The scores were (Perry and Budge second and fourth sets):—5-7, 6-3, 5-7, 6-1, 19-19. The final set lasted more than an hour, and all four players were on the verge of collapse when the game was called off.

Budge was limping from cramp, Vines crashed into a wall and injured his back, while Gledhill appeared to be nearly fainting. Perry, though not in such a bad state as the others, was visibly weary.

Prior to this, Budge had beaten Perry by 6-1, 6-2 in a singles match, the sixteenth of the series between these two players. Budge now leads by thirteen matches to three.—Press Association.

Paul Roos. In his early playing career he was a fine all-round back, and later became one of the finest full backs South Africa has produced.—Reuter.

ARCHIBALD WINS

Providence (Rhode Island), To-day.

Joey Archibald last night retained the featherweight boxing championship of the world when he beat Leo Rodak, of Chicago, on points in a 15-round bout.

It was the first world championship ever held on Rhode Island.

Archibald was the aggressor throughout and landed more often. He withstood the punishment handed out by Rodak in several spirited rallies.

The boxers began the 15th round about even, but Archibald charged out and battered Rodak to win what many thought was the deciding round.—Reuter.

FAMOUS SPRINGBOK'S DEATH

Johannesburg, April 6.—Dr. Steve Joubert, the famous South African Rugby player, has died here at the aged of 51.

Joubert was a member of the first Springbok team which went overseas in 1906 under the captaincy of

RAISED BECAUSE OF MODERN NEGATIVE METHODS

When Walter T. Pearce's colleagues on the International Board read the speech he made a few days ago at the annual dinner of the Bristol Old Players' Society they must have registered considerable astonishment. The two Scottish members of the Board probably made indeterminate noises at the back of the throat and then threw their newspapers aside.

Mr. Pearce is said to have expressed the wish that he would like to see teams reduced to 13 players, and his actual words, though not as emphatic as reported, were:—"In view of the present schemes of sheer frustration in evidence in many games, I wonder at times if a statutory formation of seven forwards, two half-backs, three three-quarters, and a full back might be tried in order to bring back the older principle of Rugby football."

For many years, and particularly between 1929 and 1932, when he was president of the Rugby Union, Mr. Pearce made frequent appeals that nothing be done to fundamentally alter the game in any way; that no change be made which would result in the game becoming merely a spectacle for the onlooker so that it could only be played by highly trained athletes. He preached the old gospel that Rugby must remain a game for schoolboys and youth enjoying strenuous exercise on a Saturday afternoon.

Why Mr. Pearce, who has so long stood four square against any introduction of Rugby League formation or rules, should make this 13-a-side suggestion is a mystery. The explanation, if any, will never be made public, but it may have to be made when the International Board meet in Edinburgh next Friday.

Members of the Board presumably have the right of free speech, but while the matter may not be taken seriously as in politics, a member of the Government is expected to be discreet and not make unauthorised statements. Perhaps at the Board meeting it may be put to Mr. Pearce that he ought to have suggested the adoption of the professional game in its entirety and been done with it!

The Playing Field Problem

If one took Mr. Pearce's remarks seriously one would immediately ask what would happen if teams were reduced to 13-a-side. There would presumably be more teams, but would they exist? Playing fields are none too plentiful. Providing pitches for all their teams is an ever-present problem with every club. Playing memberships are ever increasing, and one has only to consider the somewhat precarious existence of some of the junior clubs in the district to realise that a reduction of team formation would in the end mean that many youths would be deprived of their game.

Hundreds of old players could readily affirm that the deterioration of back play which there has undoubtedly been during the last decade because of spoiling wing forwards, can be cured without any tinkering with the laws or reduction of teams.

Is Mr. Pearce unaware that quite recently A. D. Stoop, England's famous captain of prewar days and himself a former Rugby Union president, said the remedy for the troubles which exist lies with the players themselves? A clean quick heel from the scrum, and a fast accurate pass to the stand-off standing wide will, he said at the Surrey Diamond Jubilee dinner, defeat the most nefarious of wing forwards. Mr. Stoop ought to know since he played stand-off long enough for Oxford University, Harlequins, and England. And it must be mentioned, at a time when these classic wing forwards, C. H. Pillman and Ivor Morgan, were at the height of their fame. Pillman several times aided and abetted Stoop in inter-

England's Tactical Victory

A. D. Stoop told the story years ago of how wing forwards could be effectively dealt with. Mr. Pearce will know it but it may interest readers of this column to tell it now. When, on January 2, 1911, Scottish Rugby enthusiasts were recovering from their Hogmanay celebrations, they got another headache when the news came from Paris that Scotland had been defeated by France. It was the first international which the Frenchmen had ever won and there was consternation everywhere in Britain. How Scotland lost is immaterial now but one reason was that the French team included two exceptionally fast wing forwards.

Stoop was England's captain then. He read the graphic accounts in the French papers of how Scotland had lost. He heard much, too, from certain Scottish players. So when France were due to appear at Twickenham, England prepared. Before the teams went out Stoop told his forwards they must scrummage fiercely and get the ball back quickly. He told the backs they were simply to handle, run across without attempting to break through, and then kick the ball back to the side of the field where the scrummage had been. For 20 minutes England pursued these tactics.

Run Off Their Feet

Those speedy French wing forwards went after the ball like greyhounds. Their pace and agility were amazing. But their wind couldn't last, and long before half-time they were run off their legs. England's time had come. Only six of the visiting pack could raise a gallop, and France was beaten by five goals, two penalty goals, and two tries (37 points) to nothing.

Anyone who saw the Calcutta Cup match last year at Twickenham could state a case against any tinkering with team formation as a means of making Rugby more attractive. In a fairly long experience one cannot recall a finer and more open game to watch. Mr. Pearce, one admits, would be highly appreciative of the brilliant running and handling of the Scottish backs. He may have been depressed by the incompetence of England's attack behind forwards who got an overwhelming share of the ball from the scrums though, the splendid tackling by Scotland's defenders would be recognised. But, one asks, how could anyone after watching that match believe Rugby cannot still be as fine a game to play and attractive to watch if the players care to make it so?

All that the game needs at present is a simplification of the laws, a revision of the scrum rule as regards putting in the ball and nothing more. The wing forwards can be dealt with by intelligent opponents who care to employ their wits and all the variations of forward play.

JOCK M'AVOY'S KNEE INJURY

London, April 7. The British Boxing Board of Control will discuss to-day a new date for the British middle-weight championship fight between Jock M'Avoy (Rochdale), holder, and Ginger Sædd (Norwich). M'Avoy has an injury to a knee-cap, and it is expected that the original date of April 24 will be changed.

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12-12.20 p.m.—Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.
12.30 p.m.—Excerpts from Grand Opera.

"Martha"—Overture (Flotow) Vienna State Opera Orchestra cond. by Prof. Leopold Reichwein.
"Tannhauser" (Wagner)—O Star Of Eve Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone) with Orchestra.
"Aida"—Vocal Gems (Verdi) Grand Opera Company with Orchestra.
"Linda Di Chamounix"—Romanza di Pierotto (Donizetti); "Samson And Delilah"—Amor! I miei sinhi protetti (Saint-Saens) Ebe Stignani (Mezzo-Soprano) with E.L.A.R. Symphony Orchestra, Turin.

1 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 p.m.—Hawaiian Music.
Slippery Fingers (Smek); Serenade In The Night—Fox-Trot The Healea Hawaiian Players.
South Sea Island Medley. Intro: Hawaii; On the Lagoon; The Leis Song; Hawaiian Sunshine; Hawaiian Eyes The Twilight Serenaders.
A ekoki—Fox-Trot; Hawaiian Love—Waltz Noi Lane's Hawaiian Orchestra.
Aloha Beloved (Howard-Long-Canfield); Mauna Loa (Alex Dale) Kanui & Lula (Vocal).
Hawaiian Berceuse (Gino Bordin) Gino Bordin & His Hawaiians.

1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.40 p.m.—Negro Spirituals.
Joshua Fit De Battle Ob Jericho (arr. L. Brown) Paul Robeson & Lawrence Brown with Piano accomp. by L. Brown.

No Hidin' Place (West Indian Negro Spiritual—arr. Sam Manning); Help Me To Fly Over Jordan (West Indian Negro Spiritual—arr. Sam Manning) Sam Manning's West Indian Rhythm Boys with Vocal Refrain by Sam Manning & Chorus.

1.50 p.m.—Carroll Gibbons (Piano) and His Boy Friends.

Love Walked In—Fox-Trot (film "Goldwyn Follies"); Love Is Here To Stay—Fox-Trot (film "Goldwyn Follies"); You're Not The Kind—Slow Fox-Trot; Take My Heart—Fox-Trot; True Confession—Fox-Trot (from the film); Please Remember—Fox-Trot.

2.15 p.m.—Close down.

6 p.m.—Half an hour of Dance Music.
Fox-Trots—You've Gotta Take Your Pick And Swing (film "Let's Make a Night of It"); You Can't Stop Me From Dreaming George Elrick & His Swing Music Makers.

Quickstep—Girls Were Made To Love And Kiss (Operetta "Paganini"); Waltz—Love, Live For Ever (Operetta "Paganini") Victor Silvester & His Ballroom Orch.
Fox-Trots—Manhattan Holiday; Amoresque Jack Harris & His Orchestra.

Tangos—Eternal Sun; Golden Stars Heinz Huppertz & His Orch.
Comedy Waltz—The Girl In The Hansom Cab; Comedy Fox-Trot—I'm A Little Prairie Flower Jack Harris & His Orchestra with Vocal Refrain by Elsie Carlisle.

6.30 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.32 p.m.—Selections from Light Opera.
"The Student Prince"—Selection (Romberg) Savoy Orpheans.
Vocal Gems Light Opera Company with Orchestra.

"The Geisha"—Vocal Gems (Jones) Light Opera Company with Orchestra.

"Countess Maritza"—Selection (Kallman) Grand Symphony Orchestra with Ilsa Wald (Soprano) and Hans Clemens (Tenor). (Sung in German).

6.55 p.m.—Songs by Ninon Vallin (Soprano).

Vous-Tu Partir Un Jour? (Darch-Thuillier); Berceuse De Jocelyn (Godard—arr. Sandre) with Piano and violoncello accomp. (Sung in French).
Dolores—Valse (d'Amour & Waldeufel) with Orchestra. (Sung in French).

7.05 p.m.—Saint-Saens—Concerto In G Minor, Op. 22. Arthur De Greef (Piano) and New Symphony Orchestra cond. by Sir Landon Ronald.

7.30 p.m.—London Relay—"At The Black Dog". Mr. Wilkes at home in his own bar-parlour.

8 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 p.m.—Gerry Moore at the Piano.

Quicksands—Slow Fox-Trot; Bob White—Quickstep with String Bass & Drums under the supervision of Victor Silvester.

Slow Fox-Trot Medley; Quickstep Medley with Drums.

8.15 p.m.—London Relay—"The Fol-De-Rols". Produced by Harry S. Pepper.

9.15 p.m.—London Relay—"The News".

9.30 p.m.—London Relay—A Recital of Gaelic Songs by Allan MacRitchie (Tenor).

9.45 p.m.—London Relay—Sports News and Market Notes.

9.50 p.m.—A Request Programme.

"Helen"—Vocal Gems (Offenbach—arr. Korngold) Columbia Light Opera Company with Orchestra.
Voices Of Spring—Waltz (J. Strauss) Kerdy Kauffman & His Orch.

Thousand And One Nights Waltz (Strauss); La Villanelle (Dell'Acqua) Miliza Korjus (Soprano) and the Berlin State Opera Orchestra.

Marital Moments (arr. Aubrey Winter) The Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards cond. by Lieut. R. G. Evans.

My Little Buckaroo (film "Strange Laws") The Hill Billies with Their Own Novelty accomp.

I've Got A Pocketful Of Dreams—Quick-step (film "Sing, you Sinners") M. Pierre & His Strict Dance Tempo Orchestra.

Two Sleepy People (film "Thanks for the Memory"); New Thanks For The Memory (film "Big Broadcast of 1938") Bob Hope and Shirley Ross.

Ride, Tenderfoot, Ride—Fox-Trot (film "Romance and Rhythm") The Organ, The Dance Band and Me (Piano).

Poor Little Angeline—Fox-Trot Jay Wilbur & His Band.

Jalousie—Tango (Gade) Xavier Cugat & His Hotel Waldorf-Astoria Orchestra.

It's A Thrill All Over Again (Deletre) Lucienne Boyer (Vocal).

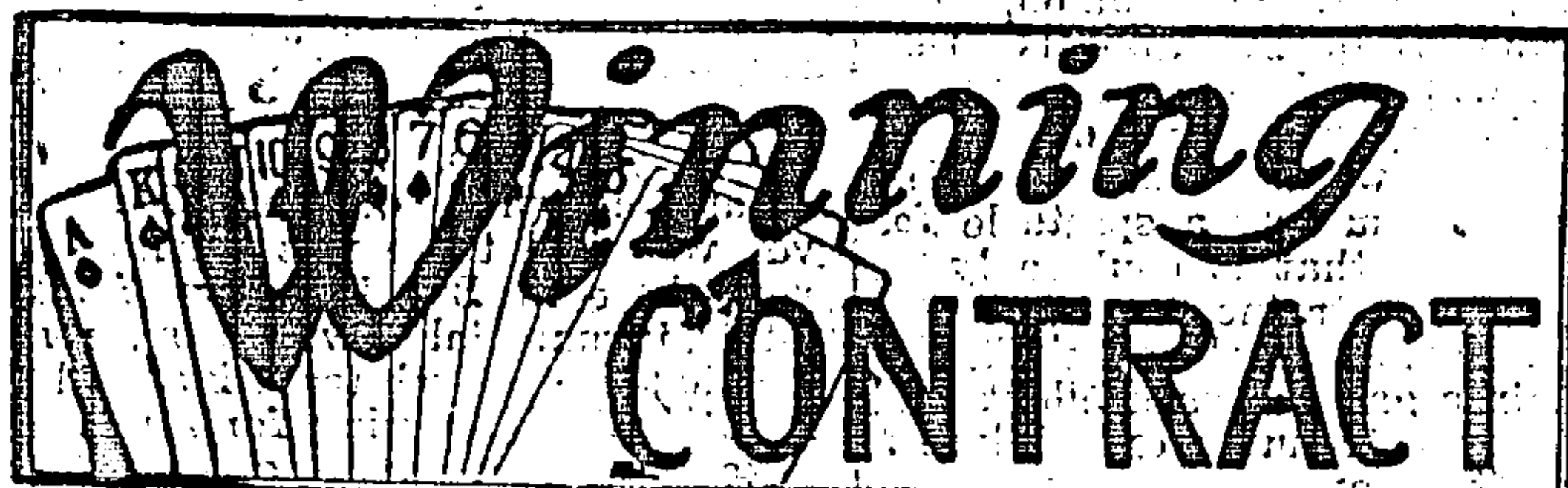
Soldiers Of Fortune (film "The Girl of the Golden West") Nelson Eddy (Baritone) with Orchestra.

Ferdinand The Bull—Waltz (from the Walt Disney Production) Jack Hylton & His Orchestra.

When Mother Nature Sings Her Lullaby (Yoell-Brown) Leslie Hutchinson (Vocal) at the Piano.

I Ain't Got Nobody—Fox-Trot; Nagasaki—Fox-Trot Cab Calloway & His Orchestra.

11 p.m.—Close down.



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 ♣ J 10 7 5
 ♠ 6 3 2
 ♥ 7 6 4 3 2
 ♦ J 2
 ♣ 4 3 2
 ♠ K J 9 8 7
 ♥ Q J
 ♦ A Q 7 5
 ♣ 9 6

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1♠	Pass	3♠	Pass
3NT	Pass	7NT	Pass
Pass	Dbl.	Pass	Pass
Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass

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clubs from dummy, East showing out on the third round, whereupon Declarer knew that West held the Jack of clubs and one diamond as his last two cards. Now Declarer simply played a low diamond from dummy, went up with the Ace and dropped the King, which West had been forced to unguard.

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♠ Q 10 x
 ♥ A K 10 x x
 ♦ A x x
 ♣ x x

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♠ x x x
 ♥ x x x
 ♦ A x
 ♣ A K Q x x x

The bidding:

Burnstone	Jacoby	You	Maier
1♠	Pass	2♠	Pass
2NT	Pass	(?)	Pass

What do you bid?—(Answer tomorrow.)

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What's On At the Cinemas

AT THE QUEEN'S—"Shining Hour", with Joan Crawford, Margaret Sullivan, Melvyn Douglas and Robert Young. "The Shining Hour", is the story of a dancing star who attempts to escape from her surroundings through marriage with a Kansas farmer. The resulting family entanglements provide a plot rich in dramatic action. The production was brought to the screen by Joseph L. Mankiewicz. Frank Borzage directed.

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AT THE ORIENTAL—"My Bill". Screen version of the well-known stage-play "Courage", with Kay Francis in her most appealing role as the mother of three ungrateful children and little

Dickie Moore, who steals right into one's heart as the little laddie who fights for her happiness. With Kay Francis, John Littel, Anita Louise, Bonita Granville, Bobbie Jordan, Elisabeth Ridsen and Dickie Moore.

AT THE ALHAMBRA—"Son Of Frankenstein." Stark terror stalks the earth again when the son of Frankenstein revives the monster his father had created and finds that the puppet has become the master. With Boris Karloff, Bela Lugosi, Lionel Atwill and Donnie Dunagan, Basil Rathbone, Josephine Hutchinson.

AT THE KING'S—"Sailing Along".—Jessie Matthews in musical, supported by Roland Young, Noel Madison, Alistair Sims and Jack Whiting.

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THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from the 22nd April, 1939, to 29th April, 1939, both days inclusive.

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To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 21st April at 10 a.m., by Messrs. Godard and Douglas.

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No One without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Such must be worn throughout the duration of each Meeting in such a manner as to be readily identified.

Badges admitting Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5.00 for Gentlemen and \$3.00 for Ladies (both including tax) are obtainable through the SECRETARY upon the personal or written application of a Member, such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for Payment of all Chits, etc.

The Secretary's Office, 1st Floor, Exchange Building, (Tel. 27794) will close at 12 NOON.

Tiffins are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 21920).

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00 including Tax, for all Persons, including Ladies and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 17th April, 1939.

PUBLIC AUCTIONS

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on

Thursday, the 20th. April, 1939

commencing at 10.30 a.m.
at No. 10, Albion Terrace,
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A Quantity of
VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD
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A Few Pieces of Blackwood
Furniture
and

One Barograph.

On View from Wednesday, the 19th, April, 1939.

Terms: Cash on Delivery.

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Hong Kong, 14th. April, 1939.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on

Thursday, the 20th. April, 1939

commencing at 5.15 p.m.
at their Sales Room, No. 2,
Connaught Road, Central,
(Room No. 205, 2nd. Floor)

A Valuable Collection of
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Hong Kong, 14th. April, 1939.

PUBLIC AUCTIONS

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on

Wednesday, the 19th. April, 1939.
commencing at 2.30 p.m.

at their Sales Room, No. 35,
Hankow Road, Kowloon.

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Auctioneers.

Hong Kong, 14th. April, 1939.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on

Friday, the 21st. April, 1939
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FORMER GOVERNOR OF HONG KONG PASSES

LONDON, TO-DAY.
LT.-COL. SIR MATTHEW NATHAN, FORMERLY GOVERNOR OF HONG KONG, WHO GAVE HIS NAME TO KOWLOON'S MAIN THOROUGHFARE, DIED YESTERDAY AT THE AGE OF 77.

The late Sir Matthew Nathan entered the Royal Engineers in 1880 and rose to the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel in 1907.

He saw active service in the Nile Expedition and the Lushai Expedition.

He administered the Government of Sierra Leone in 1899, was appointed Governor of the Gold Coast in 1900, and three years later came to Hong Kong as Governor.

He remained in the Colony until 1907, when he was appointed Governor of Natal.

Until the outbreak of the Great War he occupied several posts in England, among them being Chairman of the Board of Inland Revenue.

In 1914 he was promoted Colonel of the Durham Light Infantry. Until 1916 he was in Ireland, and was then employed on the London defences.

GOVERNOR OF QUEENSLAND

After occupying various Government posts till 1919 he went to Queensland, where he was Governor from 1920 to 1926.

German Fleet May Go To Italy

Berlin, To-day.

TWENTY-FIVE Nazi warships, together with auxiliary vessels, which are participating in the German naval manoeuvres off the west Spanish coast, began assembling yesterday off Heligoland.

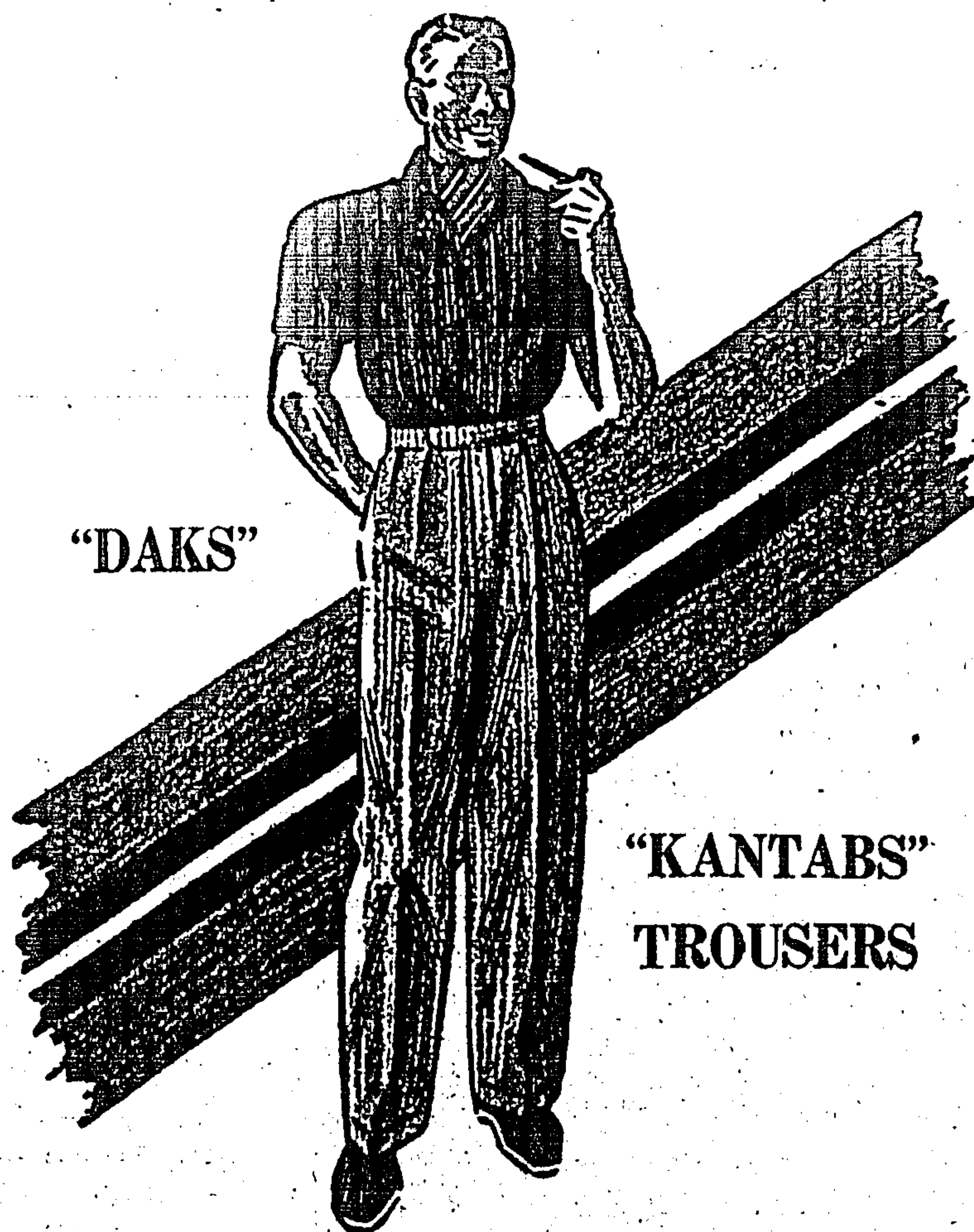
Battleships and submarines left Kiel naval base during the night, and the remainder of the squadron left Wilhelmshaven in the morning.

It is stated the ultimate destination of the Fleet will be Italian harbours.

The manoeuvres are to last a month. — Reuter.

He was a member of the special commission on the Constitution of Ceylon in 1927.

His last public activity was in 1930, when he was chairman of the committee on irrigation research. — Reuter.



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SIGNIFICANT MOVES IN MEDITERRANEAN

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tish Admiralty has adopted a different course on the present occasion, there is additional reason to believe that the concentration of British and French naval forces in the Mediterranean bears a pronounced political character. — Trans-Ocean.

GERMAN ITINERARY

Berlin, To-day.

The German warships which steamed out to sea yesterday will touch the following ports:

Between April 27 and May 1, Cadiz, Algericas and Malaga in South Spain, Ceuta and Tangiers in Spanish Morocco.

Between May 6 and 10, the German fleet, which consists of armoured cruisers, cruisers, destroyers and other small units of the naval forces, will visit Ef Ferrol on the northwest coast of Spain, then Arosa Bay, Pontevedra and Vigo, and finally the Portuguese capital of Lisbon. — Trans-Ocean.

DEATH SENTENCES COMMUTED

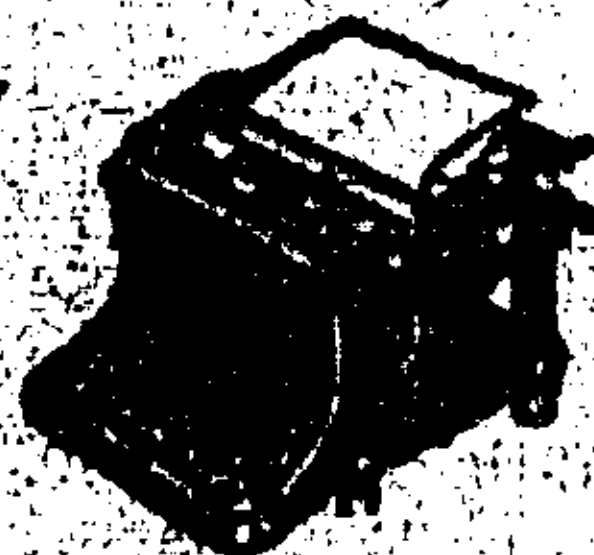
Death sentences passed on the four accused in the "Orange Murder Trial," were commuted by the Governor-in-Council this morning to ten years' penal servitude. It will be recalled that the victim died during a robbery as the result of the use of an orange as a gag. The four men were convicted and sentenced to death at the March Criminal Sessions.

Berlin, To-day.

The post of the German Ambassador in Turkey, for a long time unoccupied, has now been filled by the former Reichschancellor von Papen, appointed by the Fuehrer yesterday.

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